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Austin, Feb 8. 1842.

His Excellency,
Sam Houston.

Sir,

We, the undersigned, most respectfully apply to your Excellency for a grant of land under the late act of Congress amendatory of an Act granting land to emigrants, approved Jan 4th 1841, proposing to introduce into this country One thousand families of German, Dutch, Swiss Norwegian, Swedish and Danish emigrants with the privilege of increasing the number to ten thousand families.

The tract of land we propose to settle is as follows, Viz. Beginning at the mouth of the Llano, thence following its meander to the head of its main Southern branch thence due South fifty miles thence North 45° West to the main South West branch of the Colorado, thence following the meander of said stream to the main river and with its meander to the place of beginning

The grant we should wish to have made out to us, the undersigned, and those whom we may associate with us

In submitting the above we have the honor to subscribe ourselves

Your Excellency's
Most Obedient Servants

Buchanan Miller
Henry F. Fisher
Joseph Baker

Austin, Texas,
February, 5th. 1842

His Excellency,
Genl. Sam Houston,
President of the Republic of Texas

Sir,

In accordance with a recently enacted law, empowering your Excellency to form Colonization Contracts, the undersigned beg respectively to submit a project of Contract to your Excellency's consideration. It is proposed by the undersigned to introduce from their respective countries a body of Colonists — Day, for each — five hundred families, subjecting the province of extending the number to one thousand: The threefold object is contemplated in settling these Colonists, on the indicated Lands of the Republic.

First — To form Agricultural communities composed of persons selected with a careful regard to their fitness for removal to a new Country — their age, health, means and habits of industry and order.

Second — To stimulate enterprize and open new advantageous markets to the Citizens of the Republic, by the introduction of Capital. Without the application of Labor, the most fertile lands are valueless — without the aid of Capital, industry and ingenuity expend half their energies in vain — while the farmer, it is true, may enjoy a rude abundance, but must forego the advantages of social improvement, and suffer the privations incident to a restricted interchange of agricultural and manufacturing products.

For the objects of the undersigned, it is essential that the Colonists to be introduced should, so far as may be practicable, be placed within a convenient distance from the sea. During the infancy of the settlement it is necessary for the comfort and security of the Colonists, that no serious impediments should exist to the transport of the stores requisite for their protection and maintenance — whether food, clothing, Arms, or implements of husbandry.

Among the unlocated lands of the Republic, the undersigned beg to designate the following sections of country as appearing to them most suitable for the accomplishment of their project of commerce and Colonization — and at the same time, best calculated by their settlement to increase the strength and resources, and diminish the frontier expenditure of the Republic.

1st A tract commencing at the point where the upper Presidio (Rio Grande) road crosses the river Nueces and extending to the head waters of the river Leona — thence to the dividing ridge between the waters of the river Medina and Frio, twenty miles north of the upper Presidio road, — thence along said dividing ridge to the Laredo road — thence along that road to the point where it crosses the river Nueces — and thence up the stream of the Nueces to the crossing of the upper Presidio (Rio Grande) road.

2d — A tract twenty miles in breadth commencing at a point on the Rio Grande ten miles above the Dolores Ferry, and stretching downwards, along the left bank of the Rio Grande, five miles below the crossing of the road from the Salt Lakes to Camargo on Red River.

Should your Excellency accede to our application, and grant the several tracts herein indicated, we shall use our earnest endeavors to execute the contract in the manner best calculated to promote the welfare of the Republic — To enable us to discharge our stipulations with the greater efficacy, we pray your Excellency to favor us with an early notification of your decision on the matter, and, in the event of that decision being favorable, to concede for their fulfillment the largest measure of time allowed by the law.

With sentiments of the highest respect
We have the honor to be.
Sir,
Your Excellency's most Obt
Humble Servants

William Kennedy
H. Cocke

Bureau of the General Post Office
Austin, January 6th. 1842.

Hon. Edw. Fenton Perry
Secretary of State.

Sir,

On entering upon the duties of this Bureau I found the business of the Office greatly in Arrear. A part of the irregular business, and that which I conceive requiring particular attention, such as Returns from the different Post Masters of the country, I found three months behind, and in some instances for a year past they have not been examined. It is absolutely necessary that they should undergo a strict examination, in order that the Department should receive the correct amounts due from those Offices; many of the Returns have been found incorrect, error that would materially effect the revenue of the Post Office Department. Such we are obliged to rectify and write the Post Masters after, making out their accounts for them. This examination of Returns is of such a nature as to require time & patience to perform.

Numerous changes are continually taking place among Post Masters by Resignations, Removals, discontinuing of Offices, and establishing of new ones, which require much time and labor. The business of this Bureau is greatly augmented, on the settlements of the accounts of the various mail contractors.

The Office being entirely destitute of Mail bags, locks and keys — it is necessary that a supply should be immediately furnished.

Respectfully Your Ob't Servant
A. C. Hyde, Clk. P.O. Bureau

Executive Department
City of Austin, January 24. 1842

To the Honorable, the Secretary of State.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency President, to communicate to you the Senate's advice and consent to the appointment of the following officers to hold and execute their offices for the term of

at London.

Jas

City of Boston, Mass. Sept. 1812.

To Paul Dudley Sargent
Secretary of State

Sir,

We respectfully represent to your Excellency that Many complaints have been made to us, by the Citizens of this Commonwealth, that the Citizens of other States have enlisted into the Service of the United States, in contravention of the Laws of this Commonwealth, and thereby Elude the Militia Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth; and that many Citizens of this Commonwealth have been induced to enlist into the Service of the United States, by the Bounty offered by the Laws of the United States, and the Pay and Emoluments given to the Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the United States, while they have been exempted from performing the Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth, and that the Commanding Officers of Companies have been obliged to fill up their Companies with Substitutes, or to procure Recruits to fill up their Companies, while the Citizens who have enlisted into the United States Service, have been exempted from performing the Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth.

And we have received Information that the Commanding Officers of Companies have been obliged to Call out their Companies, more frequently than the Laws of this Commonwealth require, in order to procure Substitutes, or Recruits to fill up their Companies, while those who have enlisted into the United States Service, have been exempted from performing the Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth, and that many Citizens of this Commonwealth have been induced to enlist into the United States Service, by the Bounty and Pay given by the United States, while those who have enlisted into the Service of this Commonwealth, have received no Bounty or Pay for their Services, and have been subjected to the Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth, and to the Fines and Penalties for Neglect of Duty.

And we have received Information that many Citizens of this Commonwealth, who have been drafted into the Service of the United States, have procured substitutes to perform their Duty in the Militia of this Commonwealth, and that many Citizens of this Commonwealth, who have been drafted into the Service of the United States, have procured substitutes to perform their Duty in the Service of the United States, while those who have enlisted into the Service of this Commonwealth, have received no Bounty or Pay for their Services, and have been subjected to the Duty required of them by the Laws of this Commonwealth, and to the Fines and Penalties for Neglect of Duty.

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protection to our Southern frontier; so long sought and so long expected, by our suffering Country.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obt. Servant

Jno. H. Smith

P.S.

I will furnish you with testimony as to the facts set forth in this letter, so soon as I reach home.

J. H. Smith

Boston, Bowie Co. Texas 24. 1842

Hon Anson Jones, Secy of State.

Sir:

On yesterday I had the honor of receiving your of date Jan. 22. and accompanying it a Communication to myself as Judicial Agent, with copy of letters from Hon. Joseph Ellis Chargé des Affaires of the United States, to this Republic complaining of certain invasions of the Territory of the United States, and injuries done to the Chickasaw Indians by citizens of this Republic. And in your letter, I am instructed to institute a case, to enquire into the cause, and take such testimony as may obtain the offenders and the facts, which the investigation may develope. Shall render necessary and proper. You instruct me upon my arrival to call upon the Authorities, to learn at our Court what will be that part of this District, from which these alleged invasions were said to have been made. On Thursday the 27th of the present I shall be at Pecan Point on the Red River, which is, Sir, the nearest of access to the Chickasaw Territory, where I can be established in the case.

I have the honor, to be, Sir,
Your most obedient, Your
Obt. Servt.

J. Pinckney Henderson

Department of State,
Austin, 20th. March, 1922.

Dear Sir,

I have nothing of importance to communicate, more than Col. Hackley will certainly have told you. No real excitement now exists in town relative to the removal of the Archives. Threats are used against our future attempting their removal. An organized company of desperadoes have formed amongst the citizens, and intend to do a number

of those whom I should not have suspected of engaging in such a business. I somewhat have fears they may be tempted to do mischief if the effort for removal is carried out. Col. Hockley's leaving here will add to the excitement, for they are now under the impression that a part of the Archives have gone below, and that as the President and his Cabinet are all at Houston, it is his intention to organize the Offices there. Unless some steps are taken soon to bring about a pacification of this matter, or you should not return to the charge of the Department, I shall have also to leave the place, for the responsibility which will devolve on me will be more than my share, and in fact more than I should be able to get along with. I have had all the records and important papers packed; the books, laws &c. I shall have to stow in the waggons without boxing, for boxes cannot be had for the purpose.

I am, very respectfully, your Obt Servant,

(Signed) Joseph Waples.

Hon Anson Jones.

Pollitts, March 21st 1842.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State;

Enclosed I send the return of the election for Judicial Officers of the Judicial County of Neches, and hope the earliest attention will be given the subject possible. I am well apprised of the unfavorable decision of the Supreme Court, in the case from Ward County; but am of the opinion that that decision will not justify his Excellency in refusing to Commission the Officers in the Judicial Counties which were created at the last Congress. At all events I hope he will Commission the Officers of this County, as the people are determined, if he does not, that they will not give in their Taxes in any other County. They say that they know nothing of the decision of the Court, and even if they did, they doubt the right the Court had to make any such decision, in a matter which they view as a political matter, and one the Court had nothing to do with. It is a bad state of affairs, and one that I much

ament, as no one is more anxious than I am, to carry out the views and policy of our worthy President. Consequently, I would recommend him to Commission the Officers; by so doing, an assessor will be appointed, and the people will cheerfully give in their Taxes, and pay the same without any reflection on the President. The issue, then, will be between the people and the Judges, where it more properly belongs. The President will still retain his popularity among the people, and the Government will receive her regular revenues with cheerfulness from the people, Until Congress can, or does take some action relative to the Judicial Counties. This advice is intended to be kept private, as the people would no doubt blame me for giving such advice, if they can enjoy no other benefit than that of having their Taxes acknowledged and received in the new County.

My best respects to his Excellency, and accept for yourself my best wishes, also, my respects to J. Waples with all enquiring friends.

I have the honor to be, your most

Obt. Servt.

(Signed) G. A. Pattillo.

N. B. As regards the returns for the Officers elect, I have to inform you, that Mr. Stine elected Chief Justice, has not been a Citizen of this County over three or four weeks, but was run in by a large family connexion over Esq. Ellis, who actually received a respectable vote, as I myself presided at one of the precincts. I mention this for your information. You will please pay the earliest attention to the return possible, and answer the same. I am looking for the Laws, and hope they will come on as soon as possible. Please write me. I am anxious to hear the truth of the Mexican invasion.

Yours in haste, as the mail is in waiting.

(Signed) G. A. P.

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Houston, April 4th 1842.

My Dear Sir,

It becomes imperiously necessary that you should come to this place as early as possible with the Seals of State, which are now wanted to authenticate important public documents. The Secretary of War is now absent, and the President directs me to say that Capt. Oliver will come down immediately, and bring with him the Seal of the War and Navy Department. You will notify Mr Hyde to repair to this place at his earliest convenience; also the other Clerks of the State Department.

I have the honor to be,
very Respectfully, your Obt Svt

(Signed) Anson Jones.

Joseph Waples Esq.
Vc Vc:

Warren, Sannin County,
April 22d. 1842.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I have to apologize to you, for not having furnished you at an earlier date, the evidence I promised you last winter. The cause of the delay is attributable to the fact that I have been unable to see the persons I wished to see for that purpose, and have as yet been unable to procure their testimony. I have procured the testimony, however, of Judge Oneal, Lieut. Lee, and Col. Henlique, which seems to me to be conclusive on that subject. There is, however, still further evidence which I can procure, and will do so, at the earliest opportunity. It relates principally to the identification of some of the property captured, by citizens of this

County, which when obtained shall be forwarded to you immediately.

Considerable excitement prevails in this County, in consequence of news having been communicated by a friend in the Chickasaw Nation to us, that Mexican Emissaries, are, and have been for sometime past among the wild Indians, for the purpose of enlisting them in behalf of Mexico to wage a war of extermination against Northern Texas. It is said that they have succeeded with the Kickapoos, Wacoes, Shawnees, Delawares, Coosatties, Keechies, and a portion of the Cherokees and Creeks. This information came from a credible source, and was communicated to us by a white man living in the Nation who has ever been a friend to Texas, and has a brother living in this County. He has no hesitancy in assuring us of his entire belief in its truth.

It is also said that Major Upshaw has two Companies of U.S Dragoons stationed on the Washita about 12 miles from Red River, for the purpose of watching the movements of the Indians. This County, it appears, is doomed to be the theatre of a protracted, and more serious border warfare than any we have ever yet experienced.

With the highest esteem, I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your Obt Servt

(Signed) Tho. Farrow Smith.

Sabine City, May 2d 1842.

His Excellency,

Sam Houston,

Sir,

I will state to your Excellency that I labor under considerable disadvantage at this place, for the want of a Notary Public or Justice of the Peace. In making my returns to the Treasury Department, I am compelled to make oath to my accounts, and I am under the necessity of going fifty miles to Beaumont, or seventy to Galveston, to perform that duty. Will your Excellency be so good as to appoint a Notary Public for this place. The Office could not pay a man more than forty or fifty dollars per year. Should your Excellency think prop-

er to appoint one, I will recommend for the present Wm. att. Mc Gaffey. He resides within a few miles of the City, and would answer for the present business. I would most respectfully state to your Excellency that we have no mail route or Post office nearer than Beaumont, and the difficulty of communicating with the Treasury Department, is often injurious in collecting the Revenues at this Port. I have written to the Hon: Secretary of State on the subject of a mail route from Galveston to the City of Sabine. Will his Excellency please to take the matter under consideration, and if necessary, speak to the Hon. Secretary of State on the subject.

Respectfully, your Ob. Servt.

(Signed) Miles F. Smith.
Collector of the District of Sabine.

P. S. Any communications for this place should be directed via Galveston. Care of Gail Borden, Esq.

Clarksville, Texas.
May 11th 1842.

To The Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

In compliance with your instructions of the date of Jany. 22d. last, I have instituted a strict and careful enquiry, concerning the invasions of the United States Territory, and injuries done to the Chickasaw Indians, by citizens of this Republic, complained of by the United States.

You will find by reference to the Affidavits herewith enclosed, that in every invasion of the country of the United States, our citizens have been justified by the most imperious necessity. The Chickasaw and Choctaw Indians, if they have not been actually engaged in the depredations, now being continually carried on by Indians upon our frontier citizens, (which is the prevalent opinion here) are constantly affording an asylum to those Indians; who are the actual perpetrators of these outrages, and giving to them every aid and assistance and protection in their power.

The party of Texians, who crossed Red River above the

mouth of Washita, were headed by Colo. Wm. G. Cooke, and had no other object in view than to intercept a party of Cherokee Indians, who were said to be carrying ammunition to the tribes of hostile Indians, who infest the upper Brazos, and not finding them, made war upon no one, but returned quietly and peaceably to this Republic.

The second invasion complained of, was by a party of eight Texians, in pursuit of a marauding band of Coosattee Indians, who had been harassing our citizens by every species of depredations, and taken refuge among their friends and allies the Choctaws and Chickasaws north of Red River and in the United States. That party fortunately for our frontier settlers did come upon an encampment of either Chickasaws or Coosatties (and fired into it) who were evidently preparing to make a descent into Texas with all the necessary apparatus for stealing and carrying off horses; this party also returned home without further interruption to the Chickasaws. Capt. Joseph Sowell who headed this latter party has since been killed in his own horse lot, at the Town of Warren, by a party of Indians who were then endeavoring to steal his horses. These Indians were tracked to where they crossed over Red River into the United States. A continued succession of outrages of the most atrocious character are almost daily being enacted by the Indians upon our settlements and in almost every instance have the perpetrators fled into the United States among the Chickasaws and Choctaws.

If we sought for other justification for the conduct of our citizens towards those Indians, than that which a plain statement of the facts afford, we could find a most ample one in the conduct of the United States, in the campaign against the Seminoles, under the command of Gen. Andrew Jackson, when the Spanish Territory was invaded, and a Spanish garrison taken possession of while in pursuit of the Seminoles. The conduct of our exposed and injured frontier citizens, has fallen far short of this; and our sister of the south, will certainly not censure us for pursuing the same course which she has pursued in a like emergency.

I am fully aware of the importance, upon our part, of a strict and punctual performance of all the requirements of justice, law, and the treaty stipulations, as regards those Indians settled upon our northern frontier, and will do all that lies in my power to bring offenders against them to punishment.

I believe that the citizens of this portion of the Republic, have endeavored to observe all the requirements of justice and good neighborhood, and in no instance, have they crossed Red River in pursuit of Indian depredators, but when necessity compelled them in order to protect themselves and families from massacre, and their property from depredation.

It is with regret that I am compelled to state one instance of wanton aggression upon the part of a citizen of this Republic upon an Indian said to belong to the Chickasaw Nation. Richard H. Sowell, a Brother to the Sowell before alluded to, without any provocation within my knowledge, fired upon and mortally wounded the said Indian whilst crossing Red River into the United States, of which wound the Indian died a few days thereafter, in the County of Fannin, of this Republic. We received every attention which the citizens were enabled to afford him. For this offence an Indictment has been found, the offender arrested, and will be tried at the next term of the District Court, for the County of Red River; when he shall be dealt with according to the strictest rigor of the law. Since proceedings have been instituted against the said Sowell, I have been informed, that a demand has been made upon Gen. E. H. Tarrant for him, (Sowell) by the Agent of the Chickasaws, to be delivered to the authorities of Arkansas, in order that he may be tried there for this offence. Believing that the jurisdiction of the case more properly belongs to this country, I shall proceed upon the indictment now pending against him, unless otherwise instructed by my own Government.

I have the honor to be, with the highest respect, Your Obt and humble Servt

Jesse Benton Jr.

Dist Attorney 7th
Judicial District.

Treasury Department,
City of Houston, June 6th 1842

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I herewith submit to your consideration an extract of a letter from Niles H. Smith

Custom House Officer at Sabine Pass in relation to the difficulties of collecting the Revenue at that and other contiguous Ports

I would respectfully suggest that it is a matter of the greatest interest to this Country that some arrangement similar to the one suggested by Mr. Smith, be entered into, with the United States Government; as under the operations of the existing treaty, the Revenue Laws of our Country are defrauded to an injurious extent, and that too without remedy.

I hope that you will bring the facts before the United States Government, and accomplish some speedy arrangement.

Very Respectfully, your Obt Servnt

Wm G Crump

Actg Sec Treasury.

Extract.

"If the Hon. Sec'y will please to look at the Map of this District he will see that it extends over a very large district of Country, and bounded on all sides by water, and our unfortunate situation with regard to the U. S. boundary line, makes it very difficult to prevent it smuggling; and without much diligence on the part of the Collector, there would be nothing collected in this District. At present there is not more than 1/8 of the goods imported in the Eastern Counties, that pay any duties; small vessels are continually arriving and lay within a few feet of the shore along the Bays, Lakes, and Rivers, and dispose of their goods to our citizens; and unless I follow them to the landing, I have no right to seize the property. As the matter now stands I have no right to enter a vessel unless she is made fast to our Shore.

I would suggest to the Hon. Secretary whether it would not be well to write to our Chargé d'Affaires at Washington on the subject, and see if some arrangement cannot be made, requiring vessels arriving in the Sabine Pass, to deposite their Registers, or Coasting license, with the Collector in Texas, as a security, that they shall not be employed in smuggling whilst in the waters of the Pass Lake, or rivers, and unless they do, they would be liable to seizure; or some other arrangement, so the Revenue Laws of

this Country can be prevented."

(signed) A. J. Smith:

Crockett, June 9th 1838.

His Excellency, Sam. Houston;

President of the Republic of Texas:

In the solicitation of a number of the friends of your Excellency, and not from any presumption that any thing from one so humble as myself, can have claims upon your Excellency's favorable consideration, I am induced to solicit your Excellency's favorable attention to the accompanying petition in behalf of Magnus Hay, who was convicted at the present term of the District Court of this County upon a charge of an assault with intent to murder. I do not feel at liberty to speak of the character of the offence as proved, that has already been passed upon by the proper authority. I may say, however, that I am informed that Magnus Hay is of a respectable family and connexions, and that since the unfortunate occurrence, which led to his conviction, his conduct has been entirely unexceptionable. He presents the appearance of a most interesting young man; and has I am told, a family dependent upon him for sustenance and protection. He pleaded during the trial that he felt most acutely the mortification of being arraigned at the bar of his county for an infraction of the laws. He seems to have suffered in mind most intensely. The conviction has had its influence upon the community, and upon the party offending; and whether public justice, now demands to the full extent, the execution of the sentence of the law, is submitted with the utmost deference to your Excellency. The verdict of a jury, and the judgment of the Court, have determined the character of his offence; and without, as I understand, the slightest reflection upon either. We appeal to the mercy seat of the Executive: where alone is the power and the discretion: and in the enlightened judgment of an excellent Chief Magistrate, the friends of humanity, and of public justice, have the most implicit reliance; and an abiding confidence, that their respective claims will be duly appreciated and justified;

and that there justice to my character, will be duly administered. And due to his Honor, who presided at the trial, to say, that apart from the universal confidence with which his official conduct has inspired the community, his conduct at this trial was in an eminent degree enlightened and satisfactory.

I have the honor to be, your Excellency's most obliged, and very obedient humble servant.

R. T. Wheeler.

Crockett, Houston Co.
June 10th 1842.

To His Excellency,

Gen. Sam. Houston:

Sir,

With this letter, will be presented to you, the petition of Seventy Citizens of the County of Houston; praying that Executive clemency may be extended to one Certain Magnus Vea, who having been found guilty of the verdict of a Jury, of "an assault with intent to kill", was thereupon, sentenced to pay a fine of Seven hundred and fifty dollars in Texas Treasury, costs, and to be imprisoned in the County Jail of this county for the term of twelve months.

By reference to the Statutes regulating the punishment of Crimes and Misdemeanors, your Excellency will perceive, that the term of imprisonment is the shortest prescribed, by the Law, for the crime for which he was convicted.

The circumstances attending the case are not of an aggravated character. He is a young man and it will make a Capital Petition. I hope that your Excellency will think proper to commute his punishment to ninety days imprisonment, three hundred Dollars fine and costs. I think, under all the circumstances, be sufficient punishment for the crime of which he stands convicted.

I have the honor to remain with the

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Refugio County
June 24th 1842

The Hon. Anson Jones,

Sir;

Previous to the formation of the State Constitution of Coahuila and Texas, this Country was governed by a political authority resident at Bexar. What were the powers of this authority, will soon be an important question, in land suits, before the Courts in this section of the country. Their powers were prescribed in written articles now in the possession of the Clerk of the Court of Bexar County, who is not bound to keep them safely, as they do not properly belong

to his Office. The Constitution of that body, is thought to be a state pa-
per that should belong to your Department; should you upon re-
flection, come to the same conclusion, it is hoped that you will save
it from the wreckness of interest, and the storms of revolutions that
are constantly raging around Bexar.
The grants of land from the King of Spain to the Missions, are there
also, which might be important to the Government to preserve.
I have just returned from Corpus Christi, where I found the
Camp disorderly and disaffected, which is caused in a great
degree by the situation of the camp. The soldiers are constantly
intoxicated, and will be so while the Camp remains where it is;
for every citizen is a whiskey peddler. Courts martial are in ses-
sion every day, and convict, but are unable to enforce their pen-
alties. The situation is good to make a desperate fight, for re-
treat would be impossible. General Davis is a good man,
and does all he can to keep order and subordination, which
is impossible; for the citizens do all they can to bring his or-
ders into contempt. It would take a man after the mould
of General Jackson to enforce obedience here.
General Davis falls into the error of the President, in placing
confidence in Messrs. Kinney and Aubry, whose acts, and
assertions, have been unreasonable ever since they have lived here.
When they settled on Corpus Christi, they contended that Texas
had never extended her conquest beyond the Nueces River, that
the country west was the State of Tamaulipas, that Aubry was
a British subject, and a citizen of the same. Kinney claimed
to be the same, at least to the Mexicans, and to the Texians, he
claimed to be a citizen of the United States, but resident of
Tamaulipas, and that they did not intend to pay the duties
on Merchandize, claimed by this Government. These were
their professions to every one with whom they conversed; and
published by Kinney in a speech, at the Spring Court in '36,
and who attempted to pass a resolution of similar import,
which was rejected and hissed by the meeting. Then if men are
understood to mean what their words import, they must be
traitors. So much for their professions, now let us look at
their acts. Kinney has had written and oral communication
with the Mexican Officers ever since he lived at Corpus
Christi; and has been in the habit of going beyond the
Rio Grande, at his pleasure, in safety, when he had no au-
thority from the Government to act as a spy: then he
must have been false to one country or the other; for a
man cannot serve two masters. Then to which country
was he faithless, must it be to our country, his native. Is it
marauding expeditions
and professedly
would be

friendship, which was giving the enemy "aid and comfort;" and so popular were they in Mexico, that they had prisoners released at will, and Dimett captured from interest; as he interfered with their business. When the Mexicans paid us a visit in the Spring, the Officers called on Kinney as usual, and asked where Capt. Karnes and his men were; he told them that they were on the Nueces River below San Patricio, but he says, that he made them promise they would not molest them; the party, four in number, were surprised and all killed but one. But notwithstanding all these acts of treason, it seems that our march to the Rio Grande is to be governed by the information of these men, whose every act has proved they would sell their "God for thirty pieces of silver."

Yours truly

Joseph F. Smith.

Boston, Bowie County.
June 30th 1842.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I had the honor to receive your communication of date June 6th 1842, enclosing a copy of a Note of the Hon. Joseph Ewe, Chargé d'Affaires of the United States, on the subject of certain aggressions said to have been committed by citizens of Texas upon the Choctaw Indians residing within the United States, together with two communications accompanying the same, "And requesting me to cause an investigation to be had in the premises" &c.

You may rest assured sir, that the earliest steps shall be taken in the foregoing subjects of complaint involved in the enclosed communication and agreeably to the instructions I received from you on a former occasion.

Agreeably to your former instructions to me of date 4 Dec. last, I proceeded to make the investigation thereby required, and had the

honor to transmit my report to your Department, of the same, in the latter part of May, which I hope may prove satisfactory.

I have the honor to be, Sir, with great respect, your Obt and humble servant.

Jesse Benton Jr.

Dist Atty 7th Jud. Dist.

Galveston, Sept. 16th 1842.

Joseph Waples, Esq,

Actg Secretary of State.

Sir,

Your note of the 11th inst has this moment been handed me. From the note and from a conversation held with Mr. Woodhouse, I presume that the object of the President's direction to me, is to postpone a final adjudication upon the Revenue Law passed at the Extra Session of Congress. The policy of some step having that object in view, had already presented itself to my mind. Please say to his Excellency, that the cases now in this Court in which that point can by possibility come up, are all Criminal cases, and from a decision in a Criminal case the Republic has no appeal. Since therefore I cannot take an appeal, I shall avoid the decision of the point in another manner, unless I am confident of sustaining the constitutionality of the Law. If that can be done, certainly, then an early decision, I presume, is to be desired. Unless I am sure of success, I shall not risk an adverse decision. I think I shall be able to sustain prosecutions and succeed in convicting under the Licence Law, without testing the validity of the Law in question.

Please present my respectful salutations to his Excellency.

Most respectfully, Your Obt Servt

P. H. Grace

Dist. Atto. 1st Jud. Distrct.

Boston, Bowie County.
Nov. 15th 1842.

To Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your communication under date June 3rd 1842, accompanied by a communication of the Hon. Joseph Eve, Chargé d'Affaires of the Government of the United States to the Republic of Texas, enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to the Hon. John C. Spencer, Secretary of War of the United States of America; by P. P. Pytchlynn, a delegate from the Choctaw nation of Indians, to the government of the United States at Washington, under date of the 20th of March 1842; And in obedience to your request, I have the honor of transmitting the following report, as the result of my investigations of the subject referred to in your letter.

As soon as my official duties would permit, I proceeded to institute enquiries, having particular reference to the complaint contained in Mr. Pytchlynns letter above mentioned. In regard to the first complaint in that letter, which refers to a murder alledged to have been committed by a Texian, upon the person of a Choctaw Indian, I would respectfully beg to draw your attention to my communication of last May, in which I had the honor of laying before the Department of State, a full and concise statement of all the facts therewith connected, and will only add that the matter is still undergoing judicial investigation by the constituted authorities of the District, and in connection with this matter, it may perhaps be proper to refer you to that letter, for a report upon nearly all the charges contained in Mr. Pytchlynns communication. My attention has been more particularly confined to the subject of the Ferries established upon the upper part of Red River by Texian citizens, and the complaints which are predicated thereupon.

After the most diligent and persevering enquiries the following is the result of my investigations. It appears, that there are but three ferries upon the river, which have been, or now are established, or controlled by citizens of this Republic. One of the Ferries owned, and worked by Travis G. Wright, Esq. having been demanded by the Indians, as belonging to themselves, was surrendered to them without hesitation or delay, and without a denial of their

right and claim to the same, as will appear from the statement of Mr Wright, which is hereunto annexed. Of the two other Ferries no claim has as yet been set up to them, nor as far as my information extends, has any demand been made for them; and I am induced to believe, that when such claim or demand is made by the proper authorities, that the sense of justice which animates the citizens residing upon Red River, will induce them to recognize a right which they have never yet denied. As a part of my duties, I also made enquiries relative to the refusal of Texians, proprietors of the above mentioned ferries, to convey and transport Indians to and fro in their Boats; and in no instance whatever, have I been able to learn, that such refusals have been made, but on the contrary, that every facility has been always given to the Indians in the transportation of their persons and their property, and every kindness extended to them, while their conduct and behavior deserved it. The undersigned is happy in being able to state, that as far as he has had an opportunity of learning, the most friendly disposition prevails amongst the inhabitants adjacent to the Indian Territory, towards the Indians. That there are and will be lawless persons in every community, is matter of deep regret: however watchful the administrators, and ministers of the Laws may be, all countries are subject to this evil, while the acts and atrocities of such persons, redound more or less to the injury and reproach of honorable and peaceful citizens. When there are men continually on the alert, to report and magnify acts committed by such persons, it is matter of surprise to the undersigned, that more serious disturbances do not arise, through the instigations of those, more interested to add to the flame, than to diminish the causes. I am gratified in being able to state, that the participators, generally speaking, in these outrages, are not citizens of the Republic, but are fugitives from other countries reckless, and dangerous men. In as far as my powers extend, you may rest assured, Sir, that no means shall be left unattempted, that will tend to bring these violators of the Laws of the Republic, and disturbers of the peace and harmony of Nations, to speedy and impartial justice. It may not perhaps, be considered amiss, if in connection with this matter, I report, what is but too apparent to disinterested citizens on this side of Red River, while so doing, I cannot refrain from expressing my regret, that the Agent of the Choctaw Indians for the United States, Mr Upshaw, has felt himself, called upon to indulge in expressions of the most unfriendly character, and a most pernicious tendency. When one in authority, whatever limited powers he may be clothed with, permits himself to be guided in his stat-

lic acts, by his private feelings and in the performance of his official duties, sanctions the violations of the laws, and encourages the perpetration of atrocious acts; it is not surprising that complaints should be made on either side, and a feeling of hostility engendered, detrimental to public harmony, and private safety. When Savages are told, by those entrusted with their government, that the laws are too weak and powerless to fulfil the ends of their creation, and protect those for whom they were enacted, that each for himself, must be his own judge and executioner, it is then time for those interested to protect and guard themselves and their families. That this has been done, I regret to say; but I am compelled by the statements of the Indians themselves, to report the facts, in order that it may be laid before those, to whom the Agents are responsible, and who, it cannot be doubted, will institute investigations upon the subject.

I have the honor to be, Sirs, with the highest respect, Your Obt and a humble Servt

Jesse Benton Jr.

District Attorney 7th Jud. Dist.

Crockett, Houston County.
December 1842.

To his Excellency, Sam. Houston,

President of the Republic of Texas.

We the undersigned, respectfully represent, that Richard B. Tutt of this county, has at this term of the District Court, been found guilty of "gaming" in four cases, by confessions in Court, and in one case, for permitting "gaming in a storehouse for the retailing of spiritous liquors" by trial, the fines imposed in all of the cases amounting to three hundred dollars, besides costs and fees of the District Attorney. We recommend said Tutt to you as a proper subject for the exercise of the power in you vested for remitting fines imposed by the Courts of the Republic. Said Tutt at the time of the violation of the laws was almost a stranger in the county. He is not a professional gambler,

but obtains a livelihood for himself and family by honest industry, and we are convinced that he has abandoned a vice so unprofitable to himself and pernicious to the country. He is a cripple and not able to make a subsistence for himself and family by labor alone, and his character is that of a useful, industrious, and enterprising citizen. Considering his ability, and the scarcity of money, the payment of these fines would be truly a great hardship upon him. The costs of the prosecutions, and the fees of the District Attorney, will, we trust, be ample punishment to deter him from the commission of like offences in future, and surely he is not the man of whom a public example should be made for the benefit of the community. Therefore we respectfully petition that said fines be remitted.

111 Signatures.

Washington, Texas.
Jany 23d 1843

To The Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir;

In compliance with your request, I proceed to furnish you with such copies and extracts from the orders, and other documents, connected with the South Western Army, as will satisfactorily prove that predatory warfare on unarmed citizens in the enemy's territory, was not among the objects contemplated in the late expedition to the Rio Grande. And that in fact the same was neither waged, nor permitted, by the Commanding Officer of the said expedition. First among said extracts, is a portion of the Executive Order, dated October 3d 1842, and addressed to the Commanding General of the said expedition. Viz; "You will be controlled by the rules of the most civilized warfare; and you will find the advantage of exersing great humanity towards the Common people". As this was a general order, and was known throughout the army, of course, the character of the warfare directed

would be sanctioned, or permitted, was well understood long before the troops commenced their march from San Antonio.

As you request me to furnish you only with copies of the most material Documents. I will pass over some which have some bearing on the matter but are not so important as the following viz:

Order No. 57. Issued at Camp San Ignacio, which is near Laredo, Dec. 6th 1842. "The attention of the Army is directed to the following Articles of the Rules and Articles for the government of the Armies of the Republic viz; Art 42. Any Officer or soldier who shall without urgent necessity, without leave of his Superior Officers, quit his guard, platoon or division, shall be punished according to the nature of his offence, by the sentence of a Court Martial" Art. 44. "Any Officer or soldier who shall misbehave himself before the enemy, run away or shamefully abandon any fort, post or guard which he or they may be commanded to defend, or speak words inducing others to do the same, or shall cast away his arms and ammunition, or who shall quit his post or Colors to plunder or pillage; every such offender being duly convicted, shall suffer death, or such other punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a General Court Martial." These Articles will be rigorously enforced. They are essential as well to the security as to the honor of the Army &c. &c. &c.

From the above extract it will be seen that soldiers could not quit the camp without permission, and the sentence of the Law was announced against all who would quit their post to "plunder or pillage".

As some property was taken in the Town of Laredo, contrary to the above orders, the Commanding General directed the property not essential to supply the necessities of the Army, to be returned to the Alcalde for distribution among the owners. Should the letter on the subject to the Alcalde, be deemed of importance, a copy will be furnished. After passing through Laredo, the Articles of which the following is a Copy, were signed by the Captains of all the Companies belonging to the Army.

Head Quarters,
Lt. Wm Army, near Laredo.
Dec. 10th 1842.

"We the undersigned agree to cross the Rio Grande for the purpose of waging war on Mexico. We also agree to be governed strictly by the Rules and Articles for the Government of the Armies of this Republic, and especially to abstain from depredations on the property or disturbing the persons of unarmed citizens, And that all offences of this kind shall be punished as the articles of war direct. All property Captured from the enemy shall be equally distributed between the Officers and Soldiers. The Commanding General shall make requisitions

and the cattle, particularly negroes, may be required to be sent over the Colorado, and that all the boats on the Brazos and Colorado must be destroyed or secured.

By order of Maj. Genl. Burleson.

Wm. Kimbro, A. A. G.

Head Quarters, Camp Clacem, Dec. 15th 1842.

Officers commanding companies, will immediately on the receipt of this order, call in their men, and have them mustered and inspected by the Adjutant of the Regiment, and have their names, with the number of men in each company, reported to these Head Quarters, by the 20th inst.

By order of Brig. Genl. Burleson.

Wm. Kimbro, A. A. G.

Head Quarters of the Texas Militia.

Head Quarters,
Camp Clacem,
Dec. 9th 1842.

To the Citizens of the Union of Texas.

Although the whole country from the Sabine to the Rio Grande, is considered by my Government, as belonging to the Republic of Texas, yet, having found the Town of Laredo in possession of authorities receiving their appointment under the Government and Laws of Mexico; I am willing by the present to recognize them until their acts shall be inspected.

I grant to all persons, citizens, residents and strangers, the right to pass and repass, with their property, through the Country, without molestation, from any authority, civil or military, now existing between the Nueces and the Rio Grande, until the Congress of the Republic shall meet, and make known their wishes in relation to the future government of that Country.

Sam Houston
Commander in Chief of the Army of Texas.

Army and are utterly reprobated by myself and Officers under my command. We will make you all the reparation in our power, by returning all such articles as are not essential to the Army. You will come down with one or two men and take the articles back to Town.

Very respectfully, Your Obt Servt

(Signed) Autonio Nelles.

Genl Commdg.

John Hemphill

Actng Adjt. Genl.

The above is a true copy from the original now in my profession.

John Hemphill
Acting Adjutant General
Of the Texas Militia.

Boston, Bowie County, Texas
January 25th, 1843.

To the Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of a communication from the State Department, under date of 9th Sept 1842, signed by Joseph Waples, Acting Secty of State; together with a copy of a note of the Hon. Joseph Eve, Chargé d'Affaires of the United States, on the subject of a letter alledged to have been written by Major James R. Oneal of the 2d Batln 4th Regt 11th Brigade Texas Militia; also a copy of said letter, and a copy of a letter of A. M. McUpshaw, Agent of Choctaw Indians; all of which have received my earliest attention, and

but for my absence on the fall Circuit, and the interruption or discontinuance of the mails, should have been much sooner replied to. It was the instructions of the President, for me to cause an immediate investigation, and enquiry, into the conduct of Major Oneal, in that matter, and take such measures for his punishment as the Law requires, acting agreeably to former instructions from the State Department." In regard to the complaint against Major James R. Oneal, referred to in the communications above stated, I will take the liberty of stating to you, what came under my immediate observation. At the November term of the District Court for the County of Fannin, Brigadier Genl E. H. Tarrant (who had received a similar communication to the abovementioned from the War Department) immediately proceeded to call a Court Martial, to investigate and enquire into the alleged charges against Major Oneal, and upon an investigation and enquiry into the charges, and specifications against Major Oneal, as a Military Officer, and upon hearing all the testimony and evidence, in favor of the prisoner, and his defence, resulted in a sentence of dismissal of the said Major James R. Oneal from the service. I have been since informed by Genl Tarrant, that this was the result of the inquiry, and I suppose by this time, the proceedings of the Court Martial, have been forwarded on to the Department of war, by the Judge Advocate who presided upon said trial. It is a matter of deep regret to the undersigned, to be compelled to make the above communication, and statement, to your Department, and no less so, at the occurrence of an Officer of Militia of Texas, interfering with the Indians of the United States, and to add that this signal punishment has been visited upon Major Oneal, by the sentence of the Court Martial. I am happy in being able to state that Brig. Genl E. H. Tarrant, so far from countenancing any such plan, or advising such a campaign, as the one referred to in Major Oneal's letter, that the reverse was, the case, and it was contrary to his express orders, and instructions to the Officers and troops under his command, for he had issued orders to them, in no case to cross over Red River, into the Chickasaw or Choctaw Territory, under any circumstances whatsoever, and use every means and endeavor, in order to keep up and perpetuate the friendly feelings and relations between Texas and the United States, so much to be desired and wished for; and so far as I have had an opportunity of learning the most friendly disposition prevail upon the part of the Citizens of Texas, living near the line, towards the

Indians residing in the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations.

I have the honor to be, with the highest respect, your Obt and Humble Servant.

Jesse Benton Jr.

Dist Atto. 7th Jud. Dist

Washington, Texas, Jan. 29th 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State &c.

The undersigned, citizen of Texas, has the honor to make known to you, and through you the Department to his Excellency the President of the Republic, that he effected his escape on the 14th ultimo from the guard having him in Charge near the City of Mexico, and has arrived in safety in Texas a few days ago.

It is of course known to your Department, the manner of the surprise and capture of fifty two citizens at San Antonio de Bexar, on the 11th day of September last, but in order that you may be more fully advised of the circumstances attending that event, and the situation and treatment of the prisoners then taken, the undersigned begs leave respectfully to represent; That he in company with the Hon. Judge of the fourth Judicial District and other members of the Bar, Suitors, and Jurors who attended the opening of the District Court at Bexar, on the first Monday in September last, and continued their labors during the first week, at the end of which, they began to be somewhat interrupted by rumors that some enemy was hovering about the place, using precautionary measures for ascertaining the true character of the enemy, and from the fact of many previous Courts having been broken up by Indians and Mexicans, the citizens of the place with the strangers from other parts were desirous of sustaining the supremacy of the laws and preventing the Court from being broken up, collected in order to repel the enemy, unless they should prove of such a character as would induce them to retire to their houses but before that fact could be ascertained; and early

on the morning of Sunday the 11th in a dense fog Gen. Adrian Woll entered at the head of a force said by himself to contain seventeen hundred men and being the advance of an invading army, and after meeting with resistance for a short time he sent to one company requiring our surrender which took place upon the following terms to wit. The persons of all concerned to be respected, our lives secured; to be treated as prisoners of war, and our private property not to be interrupted, which latter article was to include our horses, upon which we were to the number of fifty four, immediately placed in close confinement. We were during our stay at Bexar supplied entirely by our own means or by the kindness of a few families in the place, and received nothing from our Captors: we were searched and even pencils pen knives and razors taken from our possesion, a few of which were afterwards returned; our private papers were examined, some of them pilfered, and clothing and valuables stolen. On the 13th Mr. Callaghan Merchant of Bexar was released. On the 14th Messrs Mc Clelland, Merchant, and Menchaca, Citizen were released; and on the 15th John Johnson, a youth, was also discharged. We now numbered 52, of whom, two, Messrs Wilson J. Riddle, Merchant of Bexar and Francis Mc. Kay of Bexar were seized at their own houses, and had not been taken in arms with the others. On the afternoon of this day, we were marched out, under a strong guard for Mexico, and were that evening again searched and received orders for our conduct during our march; some few were allowed to ride, but no respect was paid to individual property; and the Undersigned was furnished and ordered to walk, altho' he had a horse inventoried, and then in company, rode by a soldier, for refusing to sign his name to one of the many documents drawn up for signature, to be sent into Texas, or left behind us, respecting our treatment; and the undersigned avails himself of the present occasion to protest against the validity of any and all documents bearing his signatures, and obtained during his duress; and now proclaims the same null and void, excepting such as may by any future act be acknowledged by him. On the 16th our march was continued and until this evening our Captors had supplied us with nothing; each prisoner was now allowed one pint of coarse unbolted flour, and one and a half pounds of beef to be cooked by ourselves; which rations continued to be supplied to us daily during the journey. On the 19th Sept. John K. Cunningham, Esquire, Lawyer of Bexar, was reported to have died; two days previously he was sick, and ordered into the wagon which contained wounded soldiers, and although we urged the necessity of leaving with him a physician who was with us

or any one of the prisoners to attend him; it was denied, and we saw him no more. We were detained at the Presidio Rio Grande, from the 23d. to the 27th Sept, and at San Fernando, the head quarters of the Northern Army under Genl. Isidro Reyes, from the 28th Sept. to the 7th October. On the 6th Oct. the prisoners George Van Ness, Arch'd. Fitzgerald, and Thomas Hancock were put into the common prison, and sentenced to death (since which time their sentence has been commuted to ten years imprisonment at San Juan de Ulloa, but the undersigned has no knowledge of their present locality) on the morning of the 7th When about to leave, ten prisoners, survivors of Dawson's Fayette County Company, were put with us, and are in all respects treated the same as the others. Our number was now 58; we were marched by way of Monclova where we were kindly received; and abundantly supplied by the inhabitants of Saltillo where we arrived on the 23d. October. At this place we were confined closely until the 7th November, during which time, we petitioned for relief for the ten suffering prisoners of Fayette County, who had been stripped by the Soldiery of every thing: their money, Watches, Clothing, and blankets were all gone; but the Governor turned a deaf ear to our petitions, and naked and cold they would have sent us off; but for the kindness of two gentlemen of that place, who supplied many wants. We were badly treated by the Soldiery, and abused and insulted if we asked for redress. Some of the horses had been stolen also while here, and the Officers used no exertion to have them returned or replaced, but laughed at the audacity with which the thefts were committed One of our number also who was sick, was not allowed to remain at the place although he was not able to travel either on foot or horse without great suffering. We were glad to leave such an inhospitable region, and arrived at San Luis Potosi on the 22d. Nov. Here we were more kindly treated, some few blankets were furnished to the destitute, and our quarters were comfortable. Simeon Glenn was here left, being unable to travel any farther. His case is not a dangerous one, and he was promised attention by all. On the 25th we again continued our journey by way of Hidalgo, San Miguel de Allende to Queretaro, where we arrived on the first December. At this place Samuel L. Norvell was left dangerously sick. On the 3d. we continued our march, after having been robbed by the Soldiery and pilfered by the Officers to considerable extent and arrived at Tula a town about 20 leagues from Mexico. On the 6th at this place, orders were in waiting for us; in a few days we were received by a new Officer and guard, and informed that our destination was changed by the Supreme Government to the castle of Perote, and on the 11th our march was resumed, we had about this time frequent opportunities of writing to Mexico, and embraced it, by petitioning to the Govt. that we might be allowed to enter Mexico to set forth to the Nation the

nature and cause of our capture; and not be sent to a distant prison; in a cold and uncharitable climate, and that we might have communication with our friends through the foreigners of the city; but all was denied us, or at least unheeded and neglected. On the 13th we were within five leagues of the city; on the road to Perote by the way of Puebla; on the next evening when about 14 leagues from Mexico, I escaped from prison and made my way to the city, which I entered on the next morning; from thence, via Puebla, Perote, Jalapa, and Vera Cruz to New Orleans &c. On my passage through Perote, I saw some of my late companions in irons, chained in pairs, and was informed that they were set to work on the 2d January; they are not supplied with meat, and are destitute of means of obtaining necessary articles for their comfort; they now number 55, a full list of whose names, I beg leave to refer you annexed hereto, as also those left elsewhere, which together with the report of Chauncey Johnson commanding at Bexar, of date at Puebla, the 18th December last, and which is now filed in the Department of War and Marine; I beg leave most respectfully to refer you, together with his Excellency, for further information, and in case that any thing may be overlooked or neglected herein by me, I can assure you that at all times, it will afford me infinite pleasure, to give the Department information, as time and opportunity may occur. Hoping that you will not fail upon special matters, to communicate with me by way of enquiry, which will always be promptly answered, to the best of my knowledge, holding myself at all times individually responsible for whatever I communicate.

Accept assurances for yourself, and His Excellency, the President, for the interest taken in my behalf, while a prisoner, of the respect and esteem with which I am

Your most Obt. friend and Servt.

(Signed.) A. Neill.

List of Prisoners now in Perote Castle and elsewhere in Mexico.

1 Hon. A Hutchinson	8 S. Booker
2 Sam. A. Maverick	9 Lt. D. C. Ogden
3 Wm E. Jones	10 John Trapnall
4 Chauncey Johnson	11 J. C. Morgan
5 Geo. C. Hatch	12 Jas. H. Brown
6 Lud. Colquhon	13 John Twohig
7 Wilson J. Riddle	14 Wm J. O. Phelan

15 John Riddle
16 Francis Mc Kay
17 Augs Ellery
18 Geo. P. Schaeffer
19 Johns Layman
20 Geo. Vos
21 David Morgan
22 Jas. L. Truehart
23 Jas. M. Robinson
24 H. A Adbury
25 John Smith
26 Nath. Harbert
27 Willm Bugg
28 Jos. A. Crews
29 French S Gray
30 C M. Peterson
31 John Lee
32 Marcus L. B Rapier
33 Truman B. Beck
34 I H. Leslie
35 I L. Noble
36 I. T. Davis
37 R S. Neighbours
38 John Perry
39 Riley Jackson
40 Jno. Dalrymple
41 Isaac Allen
42 John Forrester.
43 Sam. Stone
44 John Young
45 Edwd. Brown
Taken at Bexar 11th Sep. 42

1 John Bradley
2 James Shaw
3 Ed. Manton.
4 Wm Coltrin
5 Wm Trimble
6 David E. Kornegay
7 Richd Barkley
8 Nat. M. Faison
9 Joel Robinson
10 Allen H Morrell
Survivors of Dawson's Company — all the above are at Perote.

1 Simeon Glenn
Sick at San Luis Potosi
2 Samd G Norvell
Sick at Queretaro
3 John R Cunningham
Died 19th Sept.
4 Geo. Van Ness,
5 Archo Fitzgerald, and
6 Thos. Hancock, left at San Fernando.
7 Andrew Acile,
Escaped

Washington, Texas,
Jany 29th 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I feel it my duty as one of the prisoners taken at Bexar last September by General Woll,

to make known to you, the conduct of certain individuals residing at Bexar, in order that my Government may be apprised of the facts, and take such steps as they may deem just and correct in relation thereto: the first is Francisco Guilbeau, Consul of France, who when we were endeavoring to make such preparations as our situation required us to do, to defend what we thought were robbers or a marauding party attempting to break up the Court then in Session, refused to give us, or even supply us with ammunition, although, he was offered ample security, that the large and exorbitant price put upon it should be paid by some of the best and wealthiest citizens of Bexar; and for rendering aid and assistance to the enemy after they entered, and especially, in tendering to Genl. Woll, previous to his even alighting from his horse, his, Guilbeau's store, or any thing which it contained, and placing himself and his store, at the control and disposition of the said General.

The second is B. C. Sanches, a Merchant, and I believe a native of Havana, in giving aid and assistance to the same enemy, by giving some of the Officers boarding, lodging &c, at his, Sanche's house, without remuneration; and in interfering in the affairs of the prisoners after they surrendered, and when they had no power to defend or protect themselves; by which some of them were punished more rigorously and had less liberty or favor shewn them; and for visiting us when in prison, not to minister to our wants or distresses, but for the purpose of identifying some of us and making us known to the Mexican Officers who accompanied him, in order that we might be more rigorously watched or dealt with; and generally forgiving protection, aid, counsel, and assistance to the enemy. The said Sanches has left Texas, I am informed, for the present, but has Real Estate at Bexar.

Hoping that perfect identification of character, by every one living within the bounds of Texas, may take place, and that the vile traitor may be punished, who will live under the protection of the Country, clinging to us in peace and prosperity, and aiding or joining the perfidious enemy in war and distress; taking advantage in cool blood of an unfortunate prisoner, and even by acts of omission at least, if not of commission, assisting in putting their neighbours in the hands of a foreign power, for an indefinite period, chained and manacled; bearing down upon that neighbor, when resistance cannot be made; when the dastard upon other occasions, would not have dared to speak, from fear and Cowardice; demand of me as a duty I owe to God, my Country, and myself, that this communication should be made to your Department, and for the information of His Excellency, who will be furnished with yourself to,

accept the respect and esteem of, Sir,

Your Obt. Servt.

(Signed) A. Neill.

Marshall, March 7th 1843.

To Hon. Anson Jones,

Sir,

I write you in relation to the Office of County Clerk of Harrison County, which I hold by virtue of my election, and at the same time tender you this Note, as my protest, against the issuing of any Commission from your Department, to any person who may apply for the same; as a legal investigation is about to be had in the matter. I here take occasion to state to you a few facts in relation to this perplexed Office which I hold; and the wrong manner which our Chief Justice has thought proper to pursue, by his late attempt to hurl me from the Office of County Clerk, in a manner not only erroneous in the highest degree, but in a spirit vile and vindictive; wholly incompatible with the laws and Constitution of the Country.

First: I was duly elected County Clerk for Harrison County, and complied with the requisitions of the law; receiving from the then Chief Justice, Samuel M. Henry, his certification of my election, oath, bond &c., as the law required to the entering on the duties of my Office: this is then the position in which I have stood discharging the duties of my Office for nearly two years without murmur from any person as regards the tenor by which I held that Office, until L. H. Dillard, who is the Chief Justice of this County, took it into his head to order a new election to fill the Office of County Clerk, which I held and continue to hold in virtue of my election, disregarding my personal feelings and the laws of the Country.

The new Clerk has been elected by the Chief Justice's order, and duly installed into office by his honor &c., and what seems to me to be more surprising, is, that his honor refuses to send to your Department, the returns of my election, although they have been repeatedly offered to him by myself. His honor complained, that my bond was not sufficient, the word dollars being omitted; this defect (though I mentioned was of no consequence) I immediately remedied by giving a new one; and deposited

it in my Office, though between the time of my receiving the information that his honor desired a new Bond, and my giving it, his honor issued his writ, and on presenting it to him, he refused to accept it, stating that he ordered the election, consequently, refused to receive a new bond, thereby, taking advantage of his own negligence, in not being at the County Seat, where his Office requires him to be, &c, to adjust matters of County business, which is connected with his Office. But after the election was over, his honor, accepted of a new Bond from me; held Court with the old Clerk, and in a week or two afterwards accepts of a bond from the new Clerk; and, also, holds Courts with him two; which, is as ridiculous and as contradictory, as it is illegal, and an assumption of power that a County Judge cannot arrogate to himself, without an odium, stamping upon its face the highest Criminality; which, under the most relaxed rules of Justice, would be displaced from his Office without a conciliatory reflection of ever holding any Office of honor or profit under the laws of this County.

A legal investigation of this matter will be had in the District Court · and I again would reiterate my protest, against any Commission issuing from your Department, to the late elected Clerk, or any other, until he shall be legally removed by due course of law, or until my term of service have expired, for which I was elected for &c.

I have the honor to remain Your Obt Servant.

Thomas H. Wolf

County Clerk of Harrison County.

Galveston, March 11th, 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State,

Sir;

I would respectfully recommend William H. Patterson as a suitable person to receive the appointment of Notary Public for Galveston County. I believe that the term of Office of the Notary appointed for this County has long since expired. I have been acquainted with Mr Patterson seven or eight years, and

it is with pleasure that I recommend him.

I have the honor to be, your Obt Servt

A. J. Johnson

Attorney Generals Office,
April 15th, 1843.

To Hon: Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir;

I have looked into the letters of the Hon Charles Elliot, Chargé d'Affaires, of Her Britannic Majesty; with the accompanying memorial of certain British subjects; praying the interference of Her Majesty's Government in their behalf, to obtain from this Government, an acknowledgement of their claims to certain large Grants of land, therein specified &c.

It would perhaps be sufficient to say, that the President has no power vested in him, by the laws of this Republic, to make valid, or even to recognize any such claims to lands. And the President being subordinate to the Constitution and laws of the Country, can do nothing in the premises, unless it be to lay the subject before the Congress for their action.

The Judiciary, however, is the Department of Government to which, by law, this subject is properly referred; as that tribunal is invested by express statute, with authority to hear and determine questions of this character.

This is moreover properly a question between the Govt of Texas and foreign citizens, for the determination of which, her Courts are open, and with which no foreign Government can with propriety interfere.

I am, respectfully, Your Ob't Serv't

A. H. Jones

Washington, April 20th 1843.

Hon. Thomas Jones,

Dr. Sir,

On February 1839, a descent was made by a party of Indians upon my plantation on the Colorado River, and among other things, carried off two negro boys, one of them about thirteen or fourteen years old named Manuel, the other a minor boy named Anaco, and in the fall of 1840, I was told by a Delaware Indian, of the name of Frank, who is well known from the circumstance of his having a red head, that said boy was in the possession of a Mr. Edwards, a white man, who lives in the Cherokee Nation near the Canadian River, and had a Creek Indian for a wife. Upon the receipt of the above information, I wrote directly to Mr. Edwards requesting him to find the boy, one of them at Edwards, and the other at Chickasaw, Arkansas, and the son-in-law of Edwards, Mr. Rich. Edwards, or Chickasaw Agency at Boggy Depot, and I was desirous from letting my business be known; from the circumstance of having been cautioned particularly to not let it be known, that I was a Texian and there was at that time a party of the Cherokees, that had been driven from Texas, encamped on one mile of Edwards and directly on the road that I had to travel. After I arrived at home, I made known to the Hon. Secretary of State, the whole matter as it then stood, and in reference to Edwards, that there had been a demand made of the U. S. Govt for the negroes, since that time I have not heard any thing of the matter, except that the negroes are still in Edwards possession. Sir, upon receipt of more definite information as may at any time come to your knowledge, so that I can take such steps, as is necessary on my part to recover the property.

I am respectfully,

Your ob. Servt.

Joseph H. Bowlegs.

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John Hall, Esq.

Sir,

The Secretary of the Senate was authorized by a Resolution of that body to copy, amend, and revise the Original Journals of the Senate; and prepare the same for the Printer. The Journals made up by Mr. Chappell were very incorrect, both in Grammer and Spelling, and not carefully over revised by the Secretary; consequently will not answer to compare with the Printed copy.

Respectfully Yours

Jas H. Raymond

April 20th 1843.

Clarksville, Texas, Mar 1st, 1843.

To Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

The enclosed Petition will give all the information in my possession concerning the seizure of certain Goods &c. imported &c, and stored within the limits of this Republic.

It becomes my duty to report to your Department the manner in which said Goods, were taken from the possession of James Bourland, the Collector of Customs for this District, Capt. Joseph Scott, the master of the Steamer Neil. To wit, mentioned in the petition, after hearing of the seizure, and before the issuing of the mandate by the Clerk as named by law, proceeded to the landing at which said goods were stored, and then in possession of the Collector, and together with the crew of his own vessel, and that of the Steamer Hunter, consisting of about thirty men in all, after seizing the Collector, forcibly took the goods out of his possession, and shipping them on board of his vessel, immediately conveyed them off. This flagrant violation of the requirements of good neighborhood, and infraction of our rights as a nation, by a citizen of another Government, (the United States) was accompanied by the grossest indignities to the

person of the Collector Mr Bonaland, who was seized by this law-
less band of ruffians and intruders, forcibly thrown down, and
tied hand and foot, and compelled to remain in that degrading
situation, until they completed their robbery.

I have conceived it my duty to furnish you
with this statement of the facts, to enable you to take such
steps as may be necessary to obtain redress for this, and pre-
vent the occurrence of similar outrages, by teaching the
aggressors what forbearance they owe, to an independent
nation with the rights of nations. Something should be done by
our Government, to remedy the frequent violations of the
rights of both our Citizens, and Government. The citizens
and Laws only treated, by the Officers of the United
States, forgetful of the principles of justice, and disregardful
to early stipulations, trample upon those rights, reckless of
the consequences that may ensue from embroiling the two
Countries; careful alone of their own personal safety, and
arrogantly insulting, from the hope that they will be shield-
ed by their own Government.

In October last, a Col. Morris, the Commandant of the garrison at Fort Jupiter, without justification or provocation, ordered the destruction of a number of Barrels of Whiskey, the property of Capt. Travis. C Arnett, (a highly respectable and worthy Citizen of this Republic.) The Whiskey was on board a Keel boat, upon which it had been freighted, and which said boat was discharging freight for the Garrison at Fort Jupiter, previous to proceeding to Captain Thigpin's landing, which order was executed. The proofs, I am happy to learn are preparing to be sent to your Department.

Whilst every exertion is being used to enforce the treaty stipulations governing the intercourse of the two countries, by the authorities of this, I can hear of none being made to check their infraction on the part of the United States, or any notice taken of the conduct of Generals Gaines, that Government were desirous of this State espousing, they would certainly remedy it.

I have the honor to be,

Your Obedient Servt

Hugh Brown Esqr.

Wm. Williams
Pro Tem

The Republic of Texas }
County of Red River }

To the Honorable John T. Mills,
Judge of the Seventh Judicial District,
Presiding in Law and Equity.

The Petition of James Bourland, Collector of the Customs, in and for Red River District, for the Republic of Texas, aforesaid, by Jesse Benton Jr. Dis. Attorney, would respectfully show and represent unto your Honor; that on or about the fifteenth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty three; certain Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, from a foreign port; and from foreign ports, and on a foreign vessel or Steam Boat, called and known by the name of the Fort Towson, were imported to and within the limits, and bounds of the Collectoral Dis^t^ District, aforesaid, in the Republic of Texas aforesaid; And that the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, hereinafter described and set forth; so imported and introduced from a Foreign Port as aforesaid, by and on and upon a foreign vessel or Steam Boat called the Fort Towson; were then and there landed, imported, and introduced, into the said Republic of Texas, at a certain landing, port, or place called Rowland; and usually known and called by the name of Brierly's Landing, the same being in Red River County, and the Republic of Texas, aforesaid; and proceeded to land, deposit, and stow the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise as above mentioned; without then and there, and in the necessary, and due time required by the Laws of the Republic of Texas; and the Laws regulating the Revenue, and for the collection of the impost duties, for the same; making a written report, and entry of the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, to the said Collector of the Customs, for the said Dis^t^ District, or his legally authorized Officer, in accordance to law; and without making a report to him, of the same; and did fail to make a proper manifest in writing, containing and presenting the marks, numbers, contents, and packages and of all the different packages, or parcels of Goods, Wares, and Merchandise; so imported, introduced, and landed by the said Steam Boat called the Fort Towson; and the place where the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, were taken on board, and shipped at; together with the name and description of, said Boat, her burthen and tunnage &c; together with the name, of the Consignees of all the same, to the Collector of the Customs in and for said Dis^t^ District, and the Republic aforesaid; within the time required by the Laws of Congress, regulating the collection of the Revenue by Imposts & Duties, and entitled An Act, "Altering the several Acts to raise a Public Revenue by Imposts & Duties", which recites; that "all duties accruing to the Republic under this Act, and which may be levied and assessed on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into the territory of the Republic, shall be paid to the Collector of the port, district, or station, in Cash, al-

the time of such importation, on proper, and lawful entry thereof being made, to the Collector, or proper Officer of the Customs, which Cash payment must be made in Gold or Silver, or in the Exchequer Bills of this Government; and it shall not be lawful, for the Officer, or Collector of the Customs, to deliver or permit the delivery of any goods, wares, or merchandise, to any Consignee, Agent, or Proprietor, thereof, except in the manner herein provided; unless the amount of Duties accruing thereon shall first have been paid to the Collector, or proper Officer of the Customs, appointed by such Collector to receive the same."

And your Petitioner, would further respectfully represent unto your Honor, that the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, as heretofore stated, having been so imported, landed and introduced from a foreign port or ports, by the Steam Boat Fort Towson, as aforesaid; and landed and deposited within the limits and territory of the said Republic of Texas, without a proper entry thereof being made, in the time and manner required by Law; and the duties on the same, in accordance to the Law in such Cases made and provided; not having been paid, as aforesaid; And your Petitioner having reason to suspect, that the same, and aforesaid mentioned goods, wares, and merchandise were subject to duty; and that the same were concealed, and deposited in a Store House in the territory and limits of said Republic; he proceeded by a Warrant granted by and from a proper Officer, and proceeded to search for the same, on or about the twenty-sixth day of March A.D. 1843; When the following goods, wares, and merchandise, packages, and parcels, all being subject to duty, were found deposited and stored, at the abovenamed place or town called Rowland, also usually known and called Brierly's Landing, on Red River, the same being in Red River County, and within the limits and the Territory of the Republic of Texas, which were then and there seized by him, in accordance to the Law; Viz,

D & T. Danksville. 5 bales, 9 boxes, 9 sacks Coffee, 2 barrels, 9 Kegs, 1 small box glass, 1 large cask.

D & T. Fort Towson. 14 sacks Coffee, 11 boxes.

D & T. 112 pieces castings, 114 plow moulds, 101 bars iron, 9 slabs iron, 4 bundles iron.

A. T. T. 23. barrels, 5 bales, 37 sacks Coffee, 1 bale blankets, 1 title bagging, 1 box, 36 Kegs.

A. P. U. Fort Towson, 3 boxes, 1 barrel, 1 sack Coffee.

Rev^d Alfred Wright

Wheelock. 2 boxes, 1 bag feathers, 2 Kegs, 1 bund & small pieces marked

Care of Doak's Sims C N H., 1 barrel.

Rev.d Cyprus Byrington
Care of Doak & Sims. 1 Box, 1 Barrel.

Gerard Olmstead.
Wheelock near Fort Towson. 2 Boxes marked C N.

B. H. C. 29 Barrels, 2 Bales Blankets, 23 Sacks coffee, 20 Kegs.

T. F. 5 Boxes, 1 Willow Carriage, 43 plow mould, 15 flat bar Iron, 1 Bundle nail Iron, 11 Bars rolled Iron, 1 Bale Twine, 14 Bales Bagging, 1 Doz Tea Pots, 3 Casks, 28 Sacks Salt, 14 Coils Rope

B. H. 16 Bales Bagging, 1 Bale Twine.

B. 248 pieces Castings, 27 Pair Andirons, 1 Barrel.

S Doaksville. 21 Barrels, 21 Boxes, 1 Cask, 11 Kegs, 13 Bags Shot, 22 Boxes, 142 Brooms 31 Painted Buckets, 2 Sack, Coffee.

Shrack & Nail. Doaksville. 3 Boxes, 14 Kegs, 11 Bales Bagging, 3 Tin Gannister, 1 Coil Rope, 4 Small Boxes, 1 Large Oven, 1 Barrel.

S F. T. Fort Towson. 8 Barrels, 35 Sacks, Coffee, 19 Boxes, 19 Kegs, 20 Painted Buckets.

S. 130 pieces Castings, 29 Sacks Salt.

Lieut Wetmore Fort Washata. 1 ½ Doz. Windsor Chairs, 3 Lanterns, 28 Boxes, 48 Kegs, 10 Barrels, 1 Bale, ½ Doz. Spades, 1 Bellows & Vice, 1 Set of measures. Bunch of wire. 2 Hand Barrows, 1 Doz. Sneeds, 1 Doz. Pitchforks, 1 Doz. Spades, ½ Doz. Buckets, 1 Doz. Pitchforks, 1 Doz. Spades marked U.S. 1 Large Caste marked U.S. 8 Cast Ploughs, 2 Drags, 1 Pair Wagon Wheels, 6 X Cut Saws, 6 Spades.

P. J. A. Fort Towson. 7 Barrels, 2 Bundles Leather, 1 Box, 10 Sacks, Coffee, 1 Coil Rope, 1 Bundle Kip Skin Leather, 2 Large Casks, 25 Sacks Salt.

B. F. Cocke. Jonesborough Texas. — 3 Barrels, 3 Boxes, 4 Sacks Coffee, 5 Kegs.

(B). Fort Washata. — 5 Barrels. 1 Box. 5 Kegs.

John McDonal, Fort Towson, Care of B & H. — 4 Barrels, 6 Boxes.

(W). — 33 Sacks Salt.

L. J. Gillow — 1 Bale Bagging.

Mc & G Brown. — 1 Coil Rope

L. A. Singleton. — 2 Coils Rope.

A.L — 2 Coils Rope

R.M. — 2 Coils Rope, 28 Bunches Twine.

R.H. Near Scotts place — 6 Bales Bagging, 9 Coils Rope, 5 Sacks Salt.

B & J. — 1 Box

B & B. — 2 Bales Blankets.

Joseph Glass. — 1 Bale Bagging.

Geo. (B.) Brinley. — 1 Sack Salt.

J.R.W. — 1 Sack Salt.

B.J.H. — 1 Sack Salt.

G.B. — 1 Sack Salt.

W.B.H. — 1 Sack Salt.

J.B.M. — 1 Sack Salt.

J S & N.P. — 1 Sack Salt

Goods found not marked, or numbered;

91 Painted Buckets, 6 Whip Saws, 3 Stone Jugs, 1 Stone Jar, 1 Piece Bagging, 1 Coil Rope, 30 Brooms, 4 Large Willow Crates, 7 Sack, Salt; 1 Barrel, & Frying Pans (S) (N) 64 Pigs Lead.

All of which parcels, and packages of goods, wares, and merchandise, as above named and described, were seized and secured in accordance to Law. And your Petitioner would further represent unto your Honor, that concerning the above mentioned goods to be forfeited, under the Law in this case made and provided, inasmuch as the Duties, upon the same were not paid to the Customs House Officer, for said District; nor entered with the proper Officer as required by Law; Your Petitioner would therefore respectfully request of your Honor, that you do issue a decree, ordering the said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, as aforesaid to be libelled, and prosecuted in the proper Court, having cognisance of the same; and that the owners of said vessel or Steam Boat, and Claimants of said goods, wares, and Merchandise, wheresoever they may be, to be cited to appear before your Honors Court, and respond and answer to the same, as by Law they are required to do; And that Judgment be thereupon rendered in the same &c.; and your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

James Bowland. Collector.
by
Jesse Benton Jr. Dis. Atty
pro Tem 6th Dist.

In Dis Court, in Extra Session.
7th Judicial District.
April 8th 1843.

James Bowland Col.
vs
1 D & H; 6. P. W. et al.

To the Dis Court of Red River County.

You are hereby commanded to issue a Citation; and cause the same to be published in the Northern Standard, Citing all persons, claiming the goods, wares, and merchandise, or any of them as described by their marks, in the petition of James Bowland, Collector, by Jesse Benton Jr. Dis Atty; to be and appear before the Hon. Dis Judge, at the Town of Clarksville, on the first Monday in May next, and show cause if any they have why said Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, shall not be declared forfeited.

Geo. W. Mills. Dis Judge.

A true copy of the order of Judge Mills for monition to issue.

Jesse Benton Jr. Dis Atty. pro Tem Dist.

Brazoria 22d. May 1843.

Respected Sir,

Enclosed you will find a communication from Messrs. Glasgow & Harrison, Merchants, St. Louis, Missouri, who are old acquaintances of mine, and for whose interest, as friends, I feel much solicitude. The communication with its enclosure sufficiently explains itself and the object for which it was made. Considering the best disposition which I could make of it under the circumstances, was, to lay the matter immediately before his Excellency in order that such action might be taken on the part of our Government as the circumstances of the case might require.

You will therefore confer a special favor, by referring this matter to his Excellency, the President, at an early date, for Corresponding effect.

You will also please acknowledge the receipt of this, and the disposition made of it, as I wish to correspond with the parties interested at as early a date as practicable.

Please accept assurances of regard and consideration from your friend

and Obt. Servt.

Henry Smith.

Hon. Anson Jones

Secretary of State.

Saint Louis Apl. 22d. 1843.

Dr. Sir,

We address you upon a subject that will no doubt surprise you, as much as we feel fearful of the final result. We have received recent news here from our borders, coming from the most respectable and authentic sources, of a large Company (armed and equipped for the field) having collected and marched from the borders of this State to intercept the Company of Mexicans that are expected in from Santa Fe to Missouri this Spring.

There is a caravan most undoubtedly on the trace with a large amount of Specie, I should suppose something between $100.000 and $200.000, belonging in part to Mexicans and in

part to Americans. The Commander of this armed company is supposed to be a Col. Warfield and holding a commission of Colonel from the Texian Government; and if so, we take it for granted that he has letters of Marque, or lawful permission from the President of Texas, and is legally authorized to capture and make reprisals of Mexican property, which is certainly all right and fair between Texas and Mexico. There are however persons interested in the Caravan now on the road from Santa-fe to this place, (some of the warmest and best friends of Texas) on whom it would not only be a hard case, but an outrage, and injurious, to confiscate their money and property with that of the Mexicans.

We have $8.500 Specie, besides other property in the caravan in transit from Santa-fe to this place, and our friend Doct. Henry Connelly of Chihuahua who so nobly furnished his goods and money to the Texian Prisoners in their suffering condition, on their march from Santa-fe to the City of Mexico, has also $5.500 in Specie, about 40 head of Mules and one wagon ——— We feel but little doubt on our minds, but that all the money and property now in transit from Santa Fe to Chihuahua will be captured and taken that belongs to Mexicans; and we fear that while they are taking that of the Mexicans, the property of Americans will share the same fate, and all be carried off together as a reprisal from Mexicans.

We feel so sanguine that the occurrence will take place in some shape, that we have thought it a matter of prudence in behalf of ourselves and Doctor Connelly; as well as a matter of interest towards the Texian Government, to address you of all the particulars so far as they have come to our knowledge; and to ask of you in behalf of Ourselves and Doctor Connelly particularly; but also for any other American Citizens who may have money and property in the Caravan; that if Col. Warfield or others under letters of Marque from the President of Texas, should capture and make reprisals of money and property, as anticipated, you will petition the President of Texas to take possession of all such money and property as may be brought in from the Prairies as reprisals, and to hold it in the name of the Government until the American Owners can prove and take theirs before it shall have been divided and squandered amongst those who may have taken it.

Should American property be captured and taken into Texas, it is to be feared that it would give some trouble and difficulty between our young Republic and the United States; but in such event, should it be taken possession of by the President as soon as it reached the borders of the Republic and so held, as here suggested, it would not only relieve all American Citizens who might be sufferers, but save much expense, trouble, and legislating between

the Government of Texas and the U. S. We also enclose you herewith a slip cut from one of our papers published two days since in this City, which gives most of the particulars.

The Caravan was to have left Santa Fe on or about the first of April, and Doctor Connelly thinks should arrive here between the 15th and 20th of June if not molested.

Lt. Col. Warfield or the Armed Company alluded to should capture and make a reprisal of the money and property of the present Caravan coming in, the act will have been committed on or about this time at some point between the Arkansas River, and should in all probability reach Texas with their prize very nearly as soon as this letter comes to hand.

We do however entertain some fear, that instead of it's being a company going under letters of Marque legally granted from the Republic, and for the purpose of making honorable reprisals, that it may turn out to be a company of Marauders, going for the purpose of robbing and plundering whom soever they can meet; but should either occurrence take place, we trust that it may be something more honorable than a down right robbery; though our greatest hope is that nothing may happen in either way; yet, if the Caravan is not attacked and captured; we shall be most agreeably disappointed, and firmly believe that nothing can save it, unless something shall have happened to prevent its starting from Santa Fe without a strong escort of Soldiers.

We shall be pleased to hear from you, and request particularly that you will acknowledge receipt of this.

We have also written by same conveyance to our mutual friend T. F. McKinney, hoping that one or both will come to hand at an early date.

Very Respectfully.

Glasgow & Hanidon.

Hon. Henry Smith
Texas.

Treasury Department,
Washington, May 30. 1843.

To

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State,

Sir,

By direction of the President I have the honor to transmit, for your consideration, a copy of letters in relation to an extraordinary outrage committed by citizens of the United States on the person of James Bowlana Collector of Customs for the District of Red River, while in the discharge of his Official duty within the jurisdiction of Texas.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt

James B. Shaw,
Clerk Sec'y.

Texana, June 9th, 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

At the request of the Hon. D. Usher a prisoner in Mexico, I herewith enclose you his resignation as a member of the 7th Congress.

I have the honor to be,
Your Obt. Servt

Clark & Cravens.

Matamoras February 16th 1843.

To The Hon. Mr. Terrell

Secretary of State, Republic of Texas.

Sir,

I desire you to consider this a tender of my resignation as a member of the Congress of the Republic of Texas, myself holding it as such, therefore anticipate it will meet your ready acceptance, as I am now a Prisoner of War.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant
Patrick Usher

Department of War & Marine,
Washington, 27th June, 1843.

Sir:

Your official communication of 27th. ult.°, covering copy of the translation of a Note addressed to you by the Chargé d'Affaires of the French Government, relative to indignities alleged to have been offered to the Flag of that Nation and to the person of her Consular Agent, Mr. Gilbeau, at San Antonio de Bexar, in the month of November last, by a portion of the troops of this Republic, then encamped near that place under the command of Brigadier General A. Somervell, was received in due time; and altho' it had the immediate attention of the Dept., it has not until this time possessed the necessary information to reply satisfactorily thereto.

General Somervell was promptly notified of the charges preferred against him, and ordered to repair forthwith to this place and report in person to the Dept. to answer to them; but owing to irregularities in the Mail or to his remote position from any Post Office his orders did not reach him until recently.

Upon his arrival here yesterday, his attention was immediately called to the subject, and the nature of the charges more particularly explained. A copy of his

answer to them is herewith transmitted, from which it will be seen that he disclaims any intention, even the remotest, of offering insult to the French Flag, or of giving the slightest offence to Mr. Gilbeau either as a functionary of that Government or as a Citizen of this Republic.

The extremity to which the Army was reduced, obliged him, as reported at the time to the Department, to resort to impressments — every other means having failed to supply it with Provisions and Ammunition — This system of raising supplies has been prohibited by the authorities of the country, and would not be tolerated except in cases of the last necessity. It has become odious every where by the constant abuse of it. It becomes the duty therefore of every Officer who may be charged with the execution of orders of this character, to conciliate by his manly and correct Officer-like deportment, and especially to abstain from giving offence to Citizens upon whose property his requisitions are levied.

If Quarter Master Davis, in the case made the case, in this instance, was so far forgetful of that sense of propriety which should characterize an Officer — of the duties which he owed to his Superiors and to the Laws of this country, as to disregard and treat with contempt the Flag of a Nation whose relations entitle it to the respect of every citizen of the Country, and especially of its Officers; and to menace or offer violence to the Functionary, who had invoked its protection, his conduct unofficer-like and unauthorized as it was, merited the severest punishment. It has been officially disavowed by the Commanding Officer, and should have been, made known to him upon the spot.

Mr. Davis is supposed to have been killed by the Indians while on his homeward march from the Army in December following. Should he be still living, and make his appearance, be assured that he will receive the fullest reward to which his conduct in this respect entitles him. Of the details made to assist him in the execution of the order, no record of their names can now be found, or of the companies from which they were detached. Hence it is impossible to identify them.

With the hope that the facts communicated will prove satisfactory,

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your Obt Servt

Hon. Anson Jones
Secretary of State.

M. C. Hamilton
Actg Sec. Navy Marine.

Texas 2d Judicial District,
June, 28th, 1843.

To The Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

Your communication of the 20th Instant has been received in relation to the attack made upon the Servant and property of the Vice Consul of France. And in relation thereto I can assure you that no exertion shall be spared to prosecute and bring the perpetrators of the outrage to the earliest and most condign punishment. In the meantime I shall have the affair investigated into and as soon as any light is thrown upon the case with the final result thereof I shall promptly advise the Department.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obt Servt

A. Neill
District Attorney.

The Republic of Texas
And County of Red River

To the Excellency Sam. Houston, President of the Republic of Texas: the petition of the undersigned citizens of the County and Republic aforesaid respectfully represent unto your Excellency, that one Robert B. Francis, also a citizen of Red River County, stands convicted in the 2d District Court of said County for an assault with intent to kill; the assault having been made on the body of Wade Twing. The undersigned further represent unto your Excellency, that the punishment for the aforesaid offence, is fine and imprisonment which imprisonment cannot under the Statute, be for a less period than twelve months; that said Francis is an aged man, and a man of a family, and with the exception of this offence, a man of unexceptionable character and has heretofore been a good industrious and useful citizen, and the undersigned confidently believes, he will continue to be such for the

future; that the said Francis being a man of reduced circumstances, his immediate guardianship and personal exertions are absolutely necessary for the support of his family.

Therefore, your Petitioners respectfully solicit and earnestly entreat your Excellency to exercise the lenity towards our fellow citizen, of which your breast is the repository, and that your Excellency, will pardon the said Francis of this offence, and restore him to the bosom of his family, and the society of his friends and fellow citizens, and that your Excellency will also remit the fine which may be imposed by the Court, on the said Francis, as he will not be able to pay it without great detriment to his family. All of which is, most respectfully submitted to your Excellency.

82 Signatures

Richmond, July 11th, 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

I, hereby, tender to your honor my resignation as Chief Justice of Fort Bend County, which you will please accept.

Your Obt. Servt. &c

J. B. Miller.

Aransas Pass, July 17th 1843.

To His Excellency,

Gen. Sam Houston.

Sir,

I am informed by Mr. Denison that he is the bearer of some depositions to the Treasury Department in relation to my acts in Corpus Christi Bay, to which I beg leave to call the attention of your Excellency, and to request that no action will be had on the matter until I am

informed of the contents, which privilege is refused me here, if any statements are made in relation to the Captain of the Cutter, he is not in any way to blame, as all he has done, has been by my orders and request, and under the firm impression that I was acting according to the instructions received from the Department.

I prohibited some two persons from trading with a number of Mexicans who came in according to an understanding with me, and when I inform you who and what the parties are, and how the whole matter originated, I am convinced your Excellency will sustain me in the position I assumed, and if any change is to be made, that it will be done through me, so that I will not be placed in a ridiculous attitude, with the few persons living on the West End of St Josephs Island, and more particularly the person who is acting as Deputy Collector, and who is a Brother-in-law of the person who is making all the difficulties; and who I am fully convinced is equally interested in the whole trade, and actuated entirely by personal motives, my reasons for this and for refusing them the privilege they contend for I cannot explain in this letter, but I will either do myself the honor of waiting upon you personally, or writing so as fully to explain the affair when I come up to Galveston, which will be in the course of some ten days, until which time I must beg of your Excellency not to give any decision on the matter.

The deposition of the Captain of the Pauline is not true, nor does it approximate in any way to the ofacts or either of the others which through the kindness of Mr. Dennison have been exhibited.

I must beg pardon for intruding so much on your valuable time, but my reputation is at stake, and I am anxious to place myself in a proper position before these people, and if your Excellency will write me to Galveston authorizing me to give all persons permission to trade on the West side of the Nueces, if you think proper to do so, as according to my construction I feel that the Govt hold me responsible for the acts of all persons now trading in the Bay, and I assure your Excellency, most positively that I do not consider the persons who I have ordered off, as proper persons to have intercourse with the Mexicans, as they are men of no character or standing.

I understand from the last party of Mexicans who came in, that they understood from some persons on the Rio Grande, that Santa Anna's Proclamation

had been received, but was not yet made public, this was on the 1st to the 8th inst.

I hope soon to have the honor of seeing your Excellency, if I do not receive a communication from you at Galveston.

Respectfully,
Your Excellency's,
Obt Svt.

S. A. Jones.

Galveston, 8th August 1843.

My Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of 30th July, replying to my letter to the President, and embracing the subject of the Military Commission to General Woll at Laredo. I assure you that I would have preferred avoiding that jaunt, although I confess your reasons, shewing the policy of it, are not only good, but conclusive; and much as it interferes with my own affairs have concluded to promise my attendance, so you may look for me about the 10th proximo.

Hockley has written to you, and no doubt expressed his readiness to comply. You will therefore please inform the President (should he return previous to that time) that he may expect us. In the meantime believe me with respect Yr friend & Obt Sert

Samuel M. Williams

Hon. Anson Jones.

Galveston, 7th August 1843.

My Dear Sir,

Col. Samel M. Williams, has handed me your letter of 20th July, advising him and myself of the wish of the President that we should act as Commissioners in settling the terms of the proposed Armistice with Genl Woll. I have

much less hesitancy in accepting this Commission than I had in the Civil one, because of its military character, and the performance of it will doubtless aid us materially in that which is to follow. Col. Williams and myself, will therefore, hold ourselves in readiness to obey the call of Genl Houston by the 10th Sept. or before, if necessary.

Very truly
Your friend & mo. Ob. Ser.

Geo. W. Hockley.

Chief Clerk of Genl Land Office to Chief Clerk of Department of State.

Dr. Sir,

Please send by the bearer the amended contract, or a copy of it, entered into between the Govt of Texas and Wm. F. Fisher and B. Miller on the 7th June 1842.

Respectfully
Yours &c.
Wm. O. Hara.

G.L.O.
Aug. 10th 1843

Galveston, August 12th, 1843.

Sir,

On the 23d of April 1840, I was detached from the Navy, and ordered on the boundary line survey between the U.S. and Texas, to relieve Capt. Pillans, (Texas Army) formerly Topographical Engineer, and, on the dismissal of Genl M. Hunt (former Commissioner) I was appointed Surveyor to the Joint Commission, to fill the vacancy, left by Mr Smyth, former Surveyor, who succeeded Genl Hunt. I filled both the offices of Topographical Engineer and Surveyor, till about the 1st of March 1841, when

for the want of a small part of my salary to supply me with the necessaries of life I was forced to resign and leave the survey.

Mr. Smyth accepted my resignation and furnished me with orders to report to my Commanding Officer, of the Navy., also with $50. to defray my traveling expenses.

I reported to Com. E.M. Moore, on the 23d of March '41, and As he was going directly to Austin, I furnished him with a Power of Attorney, and all my vouchers, for the purpose of getting my Salary, from the State Department. Com. Moore called on the Hon. Secretary of State, (Mr. Mayfield) who told him that he would take my papers and get my Salary, and as he (Mr. Mayfield,) was expecting to visit Galveston in a few days, he would see me and settle with me for my services on that Survey. Com. Moore gave him my papers, on those conditions, and from that time to this I have heard nothing from the Hon. Secty of State, or my papers, which are the only vouchers I have to get my Salary.

I would now beg leave to enquire of you, Sir, whether the above mentioned papers were turned over to you when you entered the Department of State, or if you know any thing concerning them, also, if you know by what means I shall be enabled to obtain my pay for the services rendered on that Boundary Line Survey. Any information that you may be kind enough to furnish me with, or advice upon this subject, will be very gratefully received.

I am Sir, very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servt

D.C. Wilber
formerly Lt. Texas Navy.

To Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Houston 18th, August, 1843.

To The Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

With respectful reference to my last

of 8th inst, accompanying a letter from Mr Gustavus Dresel, I now have the honor, herewith, to hand you, for the use of the State Department, "A Synopsis of the Geographical and Statistical Description of some of the German States," bordering on the Rhine and Mayne, compiled by me from Mitchell's World, with a view to manifest to the Department, perhaps, in the absence of a more authentic and enlarged Geography of Germany, the importance of a Consular or Commercial Agent on the part of this Republic, in that part of Germany, from which the principal Emigration into the United States of America flows, and from which quarter a large Emigration of useful and industrious heads of families may be diverted into Texas, by having duly authorised Agents or Representatives, accredited to the Government of those States, who would inspire confidence to the Emigrants, as regards the Soil, Climate, Productions, and the Institutions of Texas.

It would be too much trespassing on your known ability, time, and patience, were I to enlarge here, upon this subject particularly, as I have not been called upon by the Department for that purpose; neither would I have addressed my previous respects to you, and now enlarged on it here, had it not been to comply with the wishes of my friend Mr Dresel, to use my exertions to obtain for him the appointment he desires; therefore I hope you will not consider me officious.

Moved by the aforesaid motives, I have taken the liberty of drawing your attention to the interest of Germany, altho' I have reasons to believe that the Department in issuing the instructions to the Hon. Wm Daingerfield our Minister at Belgium, has not overlooked the Master, yet I would beg leave to repeat the great expediency of the appointment of some Agents, in the interior of Germany, particularly near those States embraced in the accompanying "Synopsis" and altho I would be much pleased, if the appointment could be granted to Mr Dresel, yet I am not so particular as regards persons, as the measures, and shall be well reconciled if an appointment be made in any other individual, who possesses the merits and qualifications, and feels as deep an interest for Texas, on the Continent of Europe as Mr Dresel does, and perhaps with no other claims, than that of being a Citizen of Texas.

I would respectfully refer the Department, for further particulars relative to Mr Dresel, and my object in having addressed you upon this subject to the bearer hereof, Mr H. F. Fisher, who is well acquainted with both.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully, Sir,
Your Obt. Servt

Geo. Fisher.

Lagrange, 27th Sept. 1843.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Be pleased, Dr. Sir, to accept this my resignation, I feel that under the present condition of my affairs, I shall be wholly unable to discharge faithfully the duties that appertain to the Office which I have the honor of holding, that of District Attorney, for the 3d. Judicial District. My residence is at this time beyond the limits of the District in which I have acted, and owing to this fact and also the consideration, that my health will not at this time permit me to fully discharge all the requirements of the Office, I am from these considerations induced to tender my resignation; be pleased to accept the same, and deliver to Genl Houston my warm feelings for the kindness manifested towards me in this appointment, as well as from other considerations, and be assured of my high regard for yourself.

Yours &c.

Jno. D. Anderson.

Richmond Decr. 1st 1843.

To the Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

My business being such that it will no longer be in my power to discharge the duties of Notary Public,

for Fort Bend County, I hereby render my resignation of said Office, and my thanks through you to His Excellency the President, for the honor done me.

Very Respectfully your
Obt Svt

J. H. McMahan

P. S.

I would suggest the name of Miles M Battle, Etq., as a person well qualified to fill the Office, and in whom entire confidence may be placed

Respy &c

J H McMahan

Washington January 6. 1844.

Sir,

In conformity with the stipulations of the contract of Colonization entered into on the first day of September 1843 between the President of the Republic of Texas and the undersigned for the introduction and Colonization of six hundred families or single men, we have the honor to notify his Excellency, the President through your Department of our determination to increase that number to six thousand families or single men for whom we claim all the extension of time and other privileges guaranteed in the aforesaid Contract.

We have the honor to remain,
Sir,
Your very obt Servants,

Henry F. Fisher.

B Miller
for Henry F Fisher.

Hon. Anson Jones

Secretary of State.

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Washington, Janʸ. 13. 1843.

To the Hon.

Secretary of State,

Sir,

We received a communication from the Chf. Clk. of your Department notifying us that you were ready to enter into a Contract for printing the Laws and Journals of the 8th. Congress.

In reply, we have to say that we are ready to give Bond for the faithful performance of our duty as Public Printers, in accordance with the Contract entered into by us with the Hon. Congress on the 8th, inst.

Very Respectfully
Your Obᵗ Servts.

Cruger & Moore.

House of Representatives
Washington, Janʸ 9th, 1844.

To the Honorable

Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

I have the honor herewith to inform your Department that at an election held by Joint ballot of both Houses of Congress in the House of Representatives on yesterday (8th, inst.) Messrs Cruger & Moore were declared duly and Constitutionally elected Public Printers for the year 1844. Also enclosed you will find the proposals under which Messrs. Cruger & Moore were elected.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
James H. Raymond
C. C. H. R.

Washington, Janry 6th, 1844.

To the Hon.t the Chairman of the Committee on Public Printing, on the part of the House

Sirs,

In accordance with a Resolution of Congress, to go into the Election of Public Printer on the 8th. inst.o, and to receive Sealed proposals up to that date, we avail ourselves of the opportunity to lay before you the terms upon which, we are willing to print the laws and journals of the 8th. Congress, to wit;

We will print the laws and journals, at the rate of <u>one half of one cent per page</u>, which would make a volume of 100 pages cost your Government fifty cents, the same to be paid for on the delivery of each work, that is to say, when the Journals of either Houses are completed, correctly, according to copy, the same shall be paid for upon delivery, and so with the laws, or which-ever is furnished first.

The facilities within the possession of the undersigned, for completing the work in the best possible manner, and in the shortest time allowed, are well known to the Hon.t Congress, and we would add further, that if a part of the copy will be furnished forthwith, and the remainder within ten days after the adjournment of Congress, the laws can be completed and ready for delivery within from 20 to 30 days thereafter.

Heretofore it has been customary to pay several hundred dollars for publishing the laws in the Official Journal of the County: We propose to publish them in the Telegraph, <u>free of expense to the Government</u>, which from its extensive circulation will bring within the reach of every Citizen of the country the means of understanding and appreciating the institutions under which they live, where, otherwise they can only be found in the possession of some few Government Officers.

With sentiments of high regard,
We have the honor to be &c. &c.

Kruger & Moore
Per S. H. Kruger.

Washington, Jany 13th, 1844

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

We await an answer to our Note of the 13th, inst., in reply to one from your Department of that date.

We will add that we are now ready to enter into any bonds or obligations imposed by the laws for the prompt and faithful performance of our duties as Public Printers of the 28th Congress. We only await your action to proceed to the execution of the labors augmented by the Resolution and order of Congress.

Will you be pleased to inform us at what time you will be enabled to close this matter, and furnish copies of the laws &c. for publication.

Respectfully Your Obt Servts.

Gruber & Boyce.

Washington Jany 16th, 1844.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

We had the honor to address you a Note on yesterday, calling your attention to ours of the 13th, inst., and asking a reply thereto; we now must call your notice to our Note of yesterday, with the view of coming at some definite understanding with you, and at the same time, we take occasion to acknowledge your Note of the 14th, in reply to ours of the 13th, inst, in order to correct an error into which you seem to have fallen, as also to place you in full possession of the nature of the obligations imposed

upon us by the action of the Hon. Congress, in electing us Public Printers to the present session.

In your note of the 11th inst., you say, "you are not aware of our having entered into any Contracts with the Hon.ble Congress" in reference to the Public Printing (for the 8th Congress) and inasmuch as you declines making any with this Department, no further correspondence &c" For your information as to the first part of the foregoing paragraph, we herewith transmit you a transcript of the proceedings of Congress thereto and must say in answer to the latter clause of the paragraph that we have declined entering into no Contracts with you which it is in your - province to make; and will take this occasion to reiterate that we are ready to enter into any bonds or obligation with you imposed by the laws for the faithful performance of the public printing of the 8th, Congress.

We will also further add that we are likewise ready to contract with you in any manner that the laws may authorize you to act, in order to secure the faithful performance of our duties.

We must repeat at the same time, that we have declined doing nothing imposed upon us by the laws; and in order to the better understanding of the matter, will you be pleased to indicate the terms upon which we are to enter, before we can proceed to the performance of a high public duty required of us by the present Congress.

Very Respectfully &c.

Gruger & Moore.

Washington, July 19th, 1844.

Hon. Wilson Cone,

Secretary of State.

Sir, On the evening of the 16th inst., a Note from us was handed to Mr. Hall, Chief Clerk of the State Department.

The subjects discussed in that Note as you are well aware are of pressing public and private interest; and from the misunderstanding believed between us, have already greatly retarded the printing and dissemination of the laws of the 8th, Congress, greatly to the injury of the undersigned, and to the public detriment: and so much delay having taken place, we are constrained, respectfully to ask you if we are to expect an answer to our Note of the 16th, inst.

We have the honor to be,
Your Obt Servts,

Kruger & Moore
per J. W. Kruger

Washington, Feby 6th, 1844.

Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State

Sir,

We are now ready to commence publication of the laws of 8th, Congress, under the Resolutions of Congress and a section of the appropriation Bill &c.

Mr Collier is authorized to call at the State Department for such copies of said laws as may be ready for the Public Printer, and to receipt for the same &c., in order for their publication.

Yours &c

Kruger & Moore
per J. W. Kruger

Washington, Feby 9th, 1844.

To/

The Hon. Anson Jones,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication (thro' your Chief-Clerk) of the 7th inst., in answer to ours of the 6th, wherein you state, that "Copies of nearly all the laws are ready, and also copies of the Journals up to the 15th January (of the House of Representatives) &c., also, so soon as we shall enter into the usual Contract, give bond with approved security for the performance of the Public printing &c. and that without delay" &c.

In answer to which, we beg leave to submit for your approval the Contract, or proposals refered to in a section of the appropriation bill, a copy of said section, and our bond with Hon S. B. Miller and Dr. Levi Jones, as securities for the faithful performance of all that is required of us as Public Printers, under the laws, and our Contract herewith submitted.

Very Respectfully,
Your. Obt. Servts. &c

Gruger & Moore
Per. C. W. Gruger.

Washington January 25th, 1844.

The Hon. Anson Jones, will make a contract with Genl. Mercer, and such others as he may desire. The terms will be 6 years to complete it in, at least 100 families to be introduced each year. The alternate sections may be taken wherever the contractors or company may think proper, by paying to the Government 12 dollars for each section in par funds, and one dollar in Government liabilities per each acre of the alternate sections. This you will please, to have attended to so soon as convenient.

Your Obt Servant.

Sam Houston.

Columbia Jany 31st 1844.

Hon. Wilson Shannon,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

Your communication of Decr 13th, 1843 is before me. I was present in Mr Brower's office at the time to which you refer. Mr Brower so far from refusing to make an official Certificate, had the required certificate ready when the Gentleman called for it. As he was in the act of passing it to him, the gentleman remarked that he would "send me the fee". Mr Brower replied, "very well, when you send me the fee you can take the papers". After the gentleman went out Mr Brower remarked that he had procured Certificates in that manner once or twice before, for which he has never paid. The above is the best statement I can Understand.

Mr Brower instead of being guilty of refusal had the papers all in readiness; neither was there any thing "abrupt" or uncourteous in his conduct; and the only cause that Mr Hood could have had of complaint, was that Mr Brower would not credit him for the fee, as in previous cases. I have only to add that in Mr Brower Texas has an able and worthy Officer; a gentleman of high reputation for morality, intelligence, and promptitude in business; a gentleman whom respectable citizens of this country, rivalling that city will not blush to recognize as an officer of their Country; one whose gentlemanly attentions to me and my family the past summer, I thought to know an entire stranger, will long insure to him my esteem and best wishes.

I have the honor to remain,
With due respect,
Your friend & Obt Servt

A. Anderson.

I, S. S. Handley, master of the Ship, Star Republic, was in A. M. Brower's Boarding House, when the written conversation occurred, and the facts stated by Wm. Linden read are substantially correct and true, and worthy of full faith and credit.

S. S. Handley.

Custom-House, Galveston,
1st February, 1841.

I hereby certify, that on the 7th day of January last past, I delivered a "Contract of Colonization between this Government and Messrs. William Pringle, James Grieve, and their associates" to Wm. William Kennedy of Galveston, (agreeably to instructions of the Hon. Sec. of State.) and that he signed the same, in the "exact words" following, viz.

"For William Pringle and
Grieve & Co.
William Kennedy"

and the same was subscribed by me.

Sam'l M. Packer.

Lagrange, Feby 5th, 1841.

Wm. Wm. Kennedy,

Secretary of State.

Sir,

Some time since I addressed, (this) Justice of the County of Fayette, sent to your department his resignation, and has departed ... the U. States, the office is now vacant, and the people are urgent and solicitous, to have an order for an election. Upon early attention to the above will be obliged and pray'd by the citizens of Fayette.

Permit me to subscribe myself, Your Obt. Servt.

W. G. Gardenier.

Executive Department,
Washington, Feby 6th, 1844.

To the Honorable,

The Secretary of State

Sir,

The bill, returned to this Parliament today providing for the election of Chief Justices of Refugio, Goliad, and San Patricio Counties" under writs of election to be issued by the Representatives in Congress of those Counties, respectively, will be returned.

It may not be improper to state that, upon further consideration of the bill, induced by the remonstrance of actual residents of at least two of the Counties named, I am satisfied of the unconstitutionality of that provision which relates to the County of San Patricio. For this County there is already an acting Chief Justice in Commission; (of which the Executive was not aware at the time the bill was sent to your Department) and any law directing an election to be holden to remove him from Office, without pursuing the forms of the Constitution for that purpose, would, of course, be in violation of that instrument. This I could not sanction.

Under the Constitution, also, the President has five days for the consideration of all bills presented to him; and as this was presented to him on the 3d instant, it is yet within his control.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
&c. &c. &c.

Wm Ho[illegible]

Jasper County, Nov.r 23.d 1843

My Dear Sir,

A State of things exists at this time in this County, that I know not how to remedy, except it be through his Excellency, the President — it is this — that there is not an individual Officer of this County, who keeps his Office at the County Seat.

The Chief Justice keeps his Office at his residence, some 8 or 9 miles from Jasper, the County Seat; the District Clerk, who is also post-master, keeps his Office, at his fathers house, some two or three miles from the proper place; the Sheriff (who has just resigned) kept his Office, at his house, some six miles from the proper place. In addition to this, some two men hold almost all the offices in the County, being deputy, or something else of the kind. Mr. H. Good holds the following offices; viz Justice of the Peace and Associate Justice of the County Court — he is also District Clerk, and Deputy County Clerk — he is also Treasurer of the County, in direct violation of the law, which forbids the Treasurer and Clerk, to be held by one person — he holds some other offices, but I do not recollect what they are now.

Mr. Mc Bee is Chief Justice of the County, and County Surveyor, with other rights claimed by him — So that Messrs. Good and Sewell hold all the Offices, except Sheriff, in the County. Mr. Blanchard, who was elected to the Office of County Clerk, left this County, some time last Spring, in company with his father, with the understanding that he would not return to this Country. Yet as he did not leave his resignation, the Chief Justice refuses to issue an order for a new election. Will you have the goodness to lay these facts before the President, and advise me if there is no way by which the present incumbents, cannot be forced to keep their Offices at the County Seat, or oblige to resign — The citizens suffer great inconvenience from the present scattered position of the County Officers, and call loudly for redress. They have spoken to their Representative Mr. R. G. Brown (to whom I refer you for confirmation of my statement) on this subject, and I presume he will address you on the subject.

With great regard,

I have the honor to be,
Your very Obt & Humble Sv.t
J. H. Everitt.

Hon. A. Jones
Secretary of State &c.

Bremen Consulate,
Galveston, Feby 28th 1844.

His Excellency,

The President of the Republic of Texas.

Sir,

Allow me to address upon upon a subject I took the liberty to refer to your Excellency's good care, when in Houston, last Nov.r - At that time, I presented to you a Certificate from my Government, in relation to a Treaty of Commerce to be entered into between the two Republics of Texas and Bremen, and on account of which document, I was in hopes of hearing from, either yourself, or through the public journals, how this matter has been taken up by Congress, before whom, you would, and as I am told, have laid it, for its consideration; - being disappointed in my expectations, I shall be pleased to learn from your Excellency, if Congress has acted upon the proposition made by Bremen, and, whether your Excellency has approved the same.

I am,
Most respectfully,
Your Obt Servt

G. A. Schaeuer.

Bexar March 10th 1844.

Sir,

I arrived here on the 8th inst, with the documents herewith conveyed from the Commissioners of Texas in Mexico, and as the mail goes on direct, I find that you can get this as soon as though sent specially on. Genl Williams and Rockley were both in good health, and would leave in a few days for Galveston via Corpus Christi. When I arrived at Matamoras, I ascertained that the Commissioners were on their way to that place from Saltillo, and the General in Command advised me to remain, which I did, until they arrived, when I received these despatches & immediately left and arrived here in time to attend to Court, which is in session. Whilst in Matamoras, I was well received and treated by both Military and Citizens.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obt Servt
A. Neill.

Hon. Anson Jones
Secretary of State.

General Land Office,
Austin, March 12th 1844.

Hon. Anson Jones,
Secretary of State

Sir,

Many persons have recently applied to me for patents to lands, acquired by land scrip for their relief, and I find it impossible to pay any attention to their demands, as I can only discover in the laws as published, attempts of such laws explanatory of their character: it is my opinion that these attempts are not sufficient authority to enable

me to act under them, as it is impossible for me to determine or not the conditions of the law granting the land have been complied with.

Hoping to have respect with regard of your official acts and Seals I remain

Yours obt. Servt.

P. A. Pillans.

Lexington, Fannin Co.,
Red River. March 11th 1844.

John Hall, Esq.
Chief Clerk Dept. State,

Dear Sir,

When in Franklin, Robertson Co. I found that the boundaries of our Contract had been copied and forwarded to the County Surveyor, but had no name attached, nor any attestation that it was genuine, and the Surveyor remarked that he had as yet no official notification of the existence of the contract or of its boundaries. Be pleased to do me the favor to examine into the matter and have the omissions completed.

I have only been here a few days, but find it so much colder than my part of Texas that I am delaying in commencing work. Present my respects to my friends and

believe me,

Yours ever

P. A. Pillans

Please address me at Bonham.

To

The President of the
Republic of Texas.

Sir,

I hereby give notice that I have discovered certain Mines and Minerals of the following description, Viz — One Silver mine, situated on North Salene Creek, a tributary of the river Trinity, in the County of Houston. One said Mine about a half mile below the above, and about one mile from the Salt works now in operation on said creek a North East course — One Silver Mine in Robertson County about twenty miles above Nalls Bluff, on the South side of the river Trinity, and immediately on the bank of said river.

And in Conformity with the Laws of America, previous to the separation of this from that Country — in the absence of enactments of Texas on the subject. I do, by these presents, respectfully denounce the same to this Government, claiming to myself and assigns all advantages which can occur therefrom and beg leave to file this as testimony of the premises.

Witness my hand in the Town of Washington this 24th of May A.D. 1844.

John A. Richards.

Bonham, Fannin Co.
27th May 1844.

Hon. Anson Jones
Secretary of State &c.

Sir,

The Lands, usually denominated "the Cherokee lands, are presumed by some to extend so far to the Northward, as to come within the limits of the Colony granted by the Government to Genl. Charles S. Mercer. If this be the case, it is essential that this agent should know it and be aware of the precise bounds of said lands".

I have sought for information on this subject, but have not succeeded in finding sufficiently definite for my guidance Will you be pleased, therefore, to furnish me with a copy of the limits of the Territory assigned to the Cherokees? These lands have not until recently been open for survey, and from them I expect to obtain much for settlement. Of what character are the claims of those who hold under "Peebles" & others, or does not the data in the State Dept extend to any Contracts made with the State of Coahuila and Texas?

Be pleased to have forwarded to me, as early as practicable, the copy of the boundaries of the lands known as "The Cherokee lands" and greatly oblige one who feels honored, in subscribing himself,

Your Obt. Servt.

P. J. Pillans,
Agt. for Genl. Mercer.

Galveston, May 31st 1844.

Doct. Anson Jones,
Secretary of State.

Dr. Sir,

I shall leave to day for my Succedaneum in the U. States, and as our negotiations with the U. States, may make it necessary for the President to convene Congress before the Annual Elections take place, I have thought it my duty to resign my seat as Senator, from the Counties of Matagorda, Jackson and Victoria, in the event of its being necessary to convene Congress, that the Executive might have my vacancy filled. You will therefore apprise him of my resignation, and oblige

Yours, Respectfully,

Rue Rugely.

Robertson County, Texas.
June 21st 1844

To the Hon. Anson Jones

Sir,

The undersigned, a legitimate Citizen of the Republic, and a resident of the County of Robertson, has the honor to acquaint the Hon. Anson Jones, as Secy of State, that he may intimate to His Excellency, the President:

That in one of his excursions on a tour of observation in the fall & winter of the years 1834 & 1835 up the easterly side of the Brazos River; he discovered a quantity of mineral ore which from its appearance contained a rich proportion of copper:

The point of locality is between two small streams which he supposes are tributaries of the Red Fork of the Brazos River and to be near the upper brofs timbers: He identified the spot for the purpose of perpetuating his discovery by rudely marking upon a rock thus W X 1835 ——

In the Spring and Summer of 1835, in a subsequent tour, he discovered, on the same side of the River Brazos, much lower down the country, than the previous one, at two different places, Mineral Ore and mineral appearance, but not having the proper facilities at command to enable him to investigate, he is not certain of their denomination, qualities, or particular value; judging, however, from the recollection he had of some of the Ores he had seen in Mexico, at different periods between the years 1823 and 1828, he was strongly induced to believe, that they contained a proportion of silver, and from their specific gravity were rich and valuable. He particularly marked the two positions.

The undersigned would suggest to the government that altho' he moved his family from the United States of the North to this country, in the fall and winter of the years 1833 and 1834; that he combined, under the provisions of the Mexican Constitution, all the elements necessary to constitute him a legitimate Citizen of that Govt, which he was, having been qualified to the Constitution of 1824, upon its promulgation in the Town of Tampico, Tamaulipas at which place he resided.

At the time of his discovery, he was in the full enjoyment of all those rights and privileges and secured to him (in common with all Constitutional Citizens) by the several laws of that Country enacted and promulgated for the purpose of stimulating her citizens by an identity of interest to discover the natural resources of the country. He anticipated upon making his discoveries that he should be enabled to avail himself of the benefits thus contemplated and thereby, have an opportunity of remunerating himself for his time, expense and exposure, the necessary attendants of such enterprises, which in their results, are generally more beneficial to the Government than to the individual undertaker.

It would be more than useless, for him to intimate the causes which has prevented the consummation of an object so desirable to his individual interest, and if he was fortunate, would certainly be beneficial to his country; but will observe that he has spent a large portion of his life upon this border anticipating a favorable change in the affairs of this country, that would enable him to prosecute with success a favorite object - a position that has not contributed to the advantage of himself excepting the happy consolation that it will be remembered and properly appreciated by his countrymen.

These privations have been alleviated in their sufferings by the animating impressions, that whenever the Government could extend the elements of her power safely, that she with her justice would be liberal to her tried defenders.

From the solicitude evinced by the Govt on every occasion, to extend impartial right to all, he submits the circumstances of his case to her decision, with a full confidence that they will be properly considered, and determined according to the strict principles of equity.

The undersigned, for the purpose of settling all doubts which might probably arise in the investigation with the government as to the extent of his rights acquired under the Mexican laws and secured to him by the Constitution and its provisions of this country. He most cheerfully surrenders them to this government with the exception and reserving to himself the right of perfecting his discoveries

which he solicits of this govt, that he may be permitted to do under its authority and sanction, and to be further allowed to avail himself of all the benefits contemplated by the existing laws, by giving to him the necessary authority to enable an immediate prosecution of an object so desirable to himself and as he believes beneficial to the country.

Allow me, Sir, on this occasion, to express the feelings of the highest consideration for your Public services.

As Ireman
Your obt Humble Servt.

E. L. Ripley Wheelock.

Bonham, Fannin County,
Texas, July 11th 1844.

To the Hon. Anson Jones,
Secretary of State of the Republic of Texas.

Sir,

I am instructed by the "Texas Association" under the provisions of the Contract provided on the 29th of January last, between His Excellency, Sam Houston, President of the Republic of Texas, acting in behalf thereof, and Charles Fenton Mercer, and such associates as he may choose, to transmit to the Secretary of State, or other proper Officer of the Government of Texas, a list of the Copartners chosen in pursuance of the above Contract, and a statement of the share or shares of each, in the stock or property of the Association, or company formed by them; and, also, of the common name, or title assumed by them, or a majority of them in interest to the said Department; and this statement is required to be repeated once in every six months.

In pursuance of the above instruction, and obligation, I beg leave to report that the name or title assumed by a majority in interest of the shareholders, is as above stated, "The Texas Association", and that the following persons are the share holders or Copartners of the said Association, and have therein the amount of interest set opposite to their respective names viz:
Edward C. Cabell, Attorney at Law of Tallahassee in

Florida, Son of Chief Justice Isabella, late Governor of Virginia, and Richard Bicheto, late of Petersburg Virginia, and now Clerk of the Superior Court of Law and Equity for the County of Leon, in Florida, are entitled to five shares of the 100, into which the entire interest granted by said Contract to Charles Fenton Mercer, and such associates as he might choose has been divided.

John R. Cooke, Attorney at Law, of the City of Richmond in the State of Virginia, is entitled to five shares or 5/100 of said interest.

Dr. Daniel Rowlett of Fannin Co. Texas to 5/100 shares thereof.

Dr. Alfred H. Garnett, and Henry Waring of Essex County and State of Virginia to 5/100 shares of said interest.

Genl. Thomas Brown, and James T. Archer of the City of Tallahassee in Florida to one such share as aforesaid.

Dr. William R. Hayward of the City of Tallahassee in Florida to one such share.

Robert J. Hayward of the said City to one such share.

James T. H. Lorimer of the said County of Leon to one such share.

Joseph Ruddell of the said City to one share.

Alfred B. Fisher of the said City to one share.

Thomas Duvall, Secretary of the Territory of Florida to one share.

George T. Ward of the said County of Leon to one such share.

Benjamin L. Lewis of the said City of Tallahassee to one share.

Messrs. Rafferty and Kinsloe of the said City to one such share.

Henry Livingston Rutgers of said City to one such share.

Nathaniel Bemis, of the said City to one such share.

David L. Wildon of said City to one such share.

Robert White of said City to one such share, and Charles Fenton Mercer of the said City to the residue of the 100 shares, into which the entire interest or stock of the association is divided.

Of these shares, Charles F. Mercer is in treaty for further subscriptions of stock, to the amount including the above of fifty of the one hundred shares aforesaid.

The fifty shares when disposed of will provide the sum of twenty two thousand five hundred dollars for carrying on the surveys, and colonization of the Lands included in the agreement first mentioned, according to the terms thereof.

Charles Fenton Mercer
Chief Agent of "The Texas Association"

Galveston, July 6. 1844

To Hon. Anson Jones,
Secretary of State,

Dear Sir.

At the solicitation of many of the citizens of Refugio County, I have concluded to reorganize the same. The long suspension of business in that County, caused by the unsettled condition of the country, has been greatly to the injury of many. It is believed that reorganization would promote their welfare, and give strength to that portion of the Republic; if so, I am willing to do all I can to carry out their views. Col. Power is particularly anxious, on account of the approaching election; having been defeated on that account last election. All communications, documents or instructions from any of the Departments, you will please forward such to this place, where I shall remain until I hear from the Seat of Government.

With respect,
I have the honor to remain,
Yours &c.

Benj. F. Neal,
Chf Justice Refugio.

N. 33.

Considerable doubt exists among many whether acts performed in a County, not at the original Seat of Justice, would be legal. Under the present state of things, it would be impracticable as well as dangerous to reside at Refugio, the former Seat of Justice. I should like to be informed by those better versed in such matters, whether it would be legal and binding, if the most suitable and safe point in the County was selected as a temporary Seat of Justice, until we could feel safe to remove back to the present site. I am well convinced, that many of the citizens not only of that, but generally, are placed to great deal of inconvenience on account of the Offices of any Seat being there. You will confer a favor by giving me all the information on the above subject.

Yours &c. B. F. N.

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Department of War & Marine,
Washington, 6th August 1844.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency, the President, to ask the attention of your Department to the facts recently made known to this Government, and contained in communications recently received from General Adrian Woll of the Army of Mexico, and Col. John S. Hays, Comdg on the South Western frontier of Texas; a copy of the former and an extract of the latter of which, are herewith transmitted.

The facts contained in these communications, taken in connection with other intelligence which has been received, leave no doubt of the objects and intentions of the Mexican Government; and that a considerable military force is now being concentrated on the Rio Grande, with the avowed object of, immediately following the attack of the cavalry alluded to by Col. Hays, by that of a more formidable force. No doubt can therefore longer exist of the propriety and necessity of placing immediately on our South Western frontier for the defence of the Nation, all the troops at the disposal of the Govt, whether of our own citizens or by existing arrangements between this Government and that of the United States.

I have the honor to be,
Your very Obt Servant

G. M. Dallas
Sec. War & Marine.

To
Hon. Abel P. Upshur
Secy of State.

Wheelock, August 15th 1844

To the Hon: Andrew Jones
Secretary of State &c. &c.

Sir;

In reply to the Department communications of the 8th inst. the undersigned has the honor to observe, that from the best information he has been able to acquire, he is induced to believe that his discovery of mineral coal, is within the bounds of the territory contemplated for the Indians.

He is recommended, that the surveyor, Silver, may be ordered to run the South Eastern line.

The difficulty he anticipated, can be readily obviated by the Gov't influence to the ferrying negotiations to be consummated next month.

For these reasons the undersigned would respectfully submit recommendations to the Department to instruct the surveyor immediately upon the propriety of judiciously including the Indians within the immediate neighborhood, that is to say, the Delawares, Shawnees, Kickapoos, and the Peace band of Aquaquasts.

By the following inducements to wit;

First, Say they shall receive pr. centum, to be within the amount contemplated to be paid to the government, to be applied under the direction of the government to the purposes of locating them the ratified actual or near the premises &c.

Secondly; That for and in consideration of the aforesaid benefits they shall agree for a reservation of not less than four leagues in addition to the quantity secured right bank for ferrying purposes.

Thirdly; That a Commissioner shall be appointed and the expence of the undersigned to make the reservation, all of which, with the exception of the undersigned's labor, to be the applicable land, and subject to all of the restrictions & conditions by the Act given to.

Fourthly; That the undersigned shall be allowed to employ, build all necessary houses for defence, subscribe a sufficient number of workmen, from any country and place &c. with such implements, tools &c. as may be necessary for to assimilate the Indians, by supplying

[illegible] (having the usual duties) to be distributed at the mining points, under the instructions of the government; and such other arrangements as advisable. The undersigned is confident, in perfect, that in an arrangement with them, something similar in its nature to the foregoing, would, not only from an identity of interest, make the Indians our true friends, but result in their civilization, so far as to make them forever free from [illegible] in case of need, as proves reflection for Christian Government, that it had been pursued by the happy extinction of Barbarism in the objects of Christian Philanthropy.

The undersigned begs leave to reiterate his appointment of friendship, which he has the honor to subscribe himself

His Excellency Governor,
Your most obedient servant,

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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

The Republic of Texas,
Shelby County.

Hon. Julian Sims,
Secretary of State.

Sir,

I am from instance of my duty as Clerk of District of the above County, Shadrach Jones of the death of Hon. John Hall, one of the members elect to the next session of Congress.

Shadrach Jones forms the declaration of the fact, at as early a date as possible, that fresh elections may ensue for a new election.

Respectfully,
Your ob't Serv't.
Robert Turner
Clerk District Court

To His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Texas.

The undersigned, would respectfully represent to your Excellency, that at the present Term of the Court for Nacogdoches County, Nancy Sandyke, and Jane Bland, were convicted of the murder of John Sandyke and recommended by the jury who pronounced them guilty to the mercy of your Excellency. The undersigned join in that recommendation, and would respectfully request you, in this case, to exercise that unlimited power which the Constitution has very properly placed in your hands.

Nacogdoches 26th November 1844.

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To His Excellency the President of the Republic of Texas.

The undersigned, citizens of Nacogdoches, and its vicinity, having many of us tried the trial of Nancy Vandyke and Nancy Beaird, convicted of the murder of John Vandyke, respectfully beg leave to represent that, from what we have seen and heard in relation to said cases, some have come to the absolute conclusion they are innocent, others, think it sufficiently doubtful to have justified an acquittal, and all concur in believing, that the case is attended with those peculiarly questionable features and circumstances, as to render the accused, proper objects of Executive clemency. They are females without a male relative in the country capable of affording them the least assistance or advice, and have been for near eighteen months past and nearly ever since they were first accused confined at a considerable distance from the place and out of the County where the murder is said to have been committed and being destitute of all pecuniary means, whatever, have been unable to make such defence, as they otherwise might, and probably, would have done. The jury who tried them, appreciating these facts, as well as the intricate difficulties the case otherwise presented, very properly, humanely, and justly, returned with their verdict, a recommendation for pardon, in which recommendation we most cordially concur. The case is not of the ordinary character, where the defence rested on a justification of a homicide, but in doubts as to who was the slayer, and whether they had any participation in the transaction in any manner whatever. We might go into a lengthy detail of the evidence, showing the reasonableness of our opinions, but this is deemed unnecessary, as the recommendation of the jury, returned with their verdict, speaks volumes on the subject, and, is such an appeal to the fountain of mercy for a pardon, as they are advised, has never in modern times, in Christian countries and just and wholesome governments

been refused or denied. We have therefore, duly
recited our reasons with this jury, in order to
express our decided disapprobation of their
recommendation, and to declare to your
Excellency, our unqualified opinion, that
the said prisoners, each and every of them
ought to suffer death. We therefore respectfully
solicit from your Excellency the grant of such pardon
to the assembly pray for, and which, in our
opinion, can justly recommended by
the jury who tried them.

11 Signatures

We, the undersigned, Officers of the
Court and members of the bar of the
District Court of Tarrant County,
having been present at the trial of Nancy
Yandyke and Nancy Beard, convicted
of the murder of John Yandyke, do,
respectfully represent to his Excellency,
the President, that they concur with
the jury who tried them, in recommending
them to Executive clemency.

11 Signatures

In the District Court of Tarrant
County, on the 23rd day of November A.D. 1844.
The Republic of Texas
vs.
Nancy Yandyke & Nancy Beard } Murder.

The argument of the counsel
in this cause having been concluded and
the Court having charged the jury herein
they retired and returned into Court the
following verdict, to wit; "We the Jury
find the indictment guilty as charged in
said Indictment." Whereupon
and at the same time pronounced to the

Court Thereupon Ordered, & Decreed, & Made as follows, to wit: The the Steps and Decrees entered & rendered by said Court against Jacob Ammerman & Henry Bennet as recognizors

Defendants of Fact

Comes the Plaintiff by his Attorney and the Defendants, although solemnly called, come not but make default, whereupon the Plaintiff moves the Court for a judgment against the said Jacob Ammerman & Henry Bennet as recognizors aforesaid, which is by the Court sustained, and it is considered by the Court that the Plaintiff recover against the said Jacob Ammerman & Henry Bennet

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bring him to trial, but in vain.

Should your Petitioners be mistaken in their supposition that the power to remit this forfeiture belongs to the Executive they have only to ask that your Excellency will pass over this their Petition to the proper Department of the Government and as in duty bound they will ever pray &c

John Collins Tho Rusk
and 25 others

Defdt arraigned and plead not guilty - Recognizance Taken in the sum of 500 $. and one security in the sum of 500 $. Spring Term 1842.

Forfeiture of recognizance. Scire facias To issue To Defdt and Security - Cause Continued. Fall Term 1842. Scire fa continued and alias Capias for Recn To Harrison Co - Continued - Spring Term 1843.

Continued on application of Alford - Fall Term 1843.

Forfeiture of recognizance made final against Defendant Security (George C. Alford) and alias Capias for Recan, and Continued - Spring Term 1844.

A True copy from the Republics Docket.
Dec 1844.

T. C. Downes
Clk. Dist Ct. H. Co.

Washington, Dec 13th 1844

Hon Ebenezer Allen
Attorney General and
Secty of State, ad interim.

Sir,

I beg leave most respectfully to tender my resignation of the Office of Notary Public, in and for the County of San Patricio.

Very respectfully your obt. Servt.

T. F. Jones

Washington 30th December 1844

Sir,

I acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Presidents Proclamation revoking my Exequatur as Consul at Galveston.

The President in a conversation on the subject did me the favor to say that by addressing a note to you I could obtain a statement of the circumstances which have induced him to make this Proclamation. I will be much obliged if you will furnish it at your earliest convenience

Very respectfully

Yours

Duff Green

To

The Hon E Allen

Secretary of State

Washington 1st January 1845

Sir

In a conversation with the President on the subject of his proclamation revoking my Exequatur he intimated that the explanation which I then gave him would have been satisfactory if it had been given before he had acted on the subject. A mutual friends has suggested that a written explanation has become necessary in consequence of his official action. Therefore in justice to myself and to him I take pleasure in repeating in writing what I said verbally to the President: to wit: That he misconceived the purport and object of the conversation of the previous day - That nothing that I then said was intended as a threat or menace, and that my remarks to which he gave that construction had reference to a conversation

in my room on the previous evening, in which I had as I have uniformly done, expressed a belief that the President would interpose no obstacles in the way of annexation.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Geoff Green

To The Hon E Allen
Sec State

Washington January 28 1845

His Excy
Anson Jones
President

Dear Sir.

I resign into your hands the appointment which I received from your predecessor of Judge of the District Court for the 6th Judicial District. I am led to pursue this course from a belief that an impression is gaining ground that I am disposed to render permanent an appointment which was intended to be temporary only, by availing myself of the unfortunate disagreement in the Congress which prevents a choice, as I can not consent to hold any office, however desirable it may be to myself or my District, in violation of the wishes of a majority of the constitutional electors.

I am Sir with respect
Your Friend & Servant

M P Norton

Washington Feb 15. 1845

A. G. Eldridge Esqr
Chf Clk
State Dept

Dear Sir,

I have been requested by sundry citizens of Fayette County, to ascertain, if possible, whether or not Wm Taylors authority to arrest a Capt Dawson was granted by the Executive of the Republic of Texas. Great excitement seems to pervade the whole County, and much bloodshed may be prevented by timely information. I will be greatly obliged and take it as a singular favor if you will inform me of the facts.

Very Truly Yrs.

Ben F. Hill

Columbus Colorado Co Texas
Feby 26th AD 1845

To
His Excellency Anson Jones
President of the Republic of Texas

Sir.

Recent events having rendered my retaining the Office of Notary Public exceedingly inconvenient, I feel it incumbent upon myself to tender my resignation, which I pray your Excellency to accept.

Before closing this note let me solicit for Doct Wm A Shepherd of Columbus the appointment to the Office which I vacate. I can assure your Excellency that he is a gentleman in every respect, well qualified to discharge the duties of that Office, and his appointment will give general satisfaction

I remain with consideration of the greatest respect and regard.

Your most Obdt Servt

David J James

To

The Hon Asbel Smith

Secretary of State

Honble Sir,

I am duly just

arrived here the stipulations of a treaty between this Republic and the free City of Bremen, Germany, but the persons engaged in that trade have as yet been excluded from the favors said treaty is to confer upon the commerce between the two countries. And the undersigned, being established here for 3 years in the Trade with Germany, have suffered most from the circumstance of the treaty being here but not ratified or put in force. Having paid the additional duty of 5 per cent and the highest rate of tonnage for 3 years, of which extra charge said treaty was at last to relieve us, you may imagine our disappointment at being denied the privileges of it in every subsequent importation in Bremen vessels, our Collector giving for the reason that the treaty was here but not ratified. This affects us particularly in regards to the Brigs "Weser," "Johann Reichard" and "Herschel" and the Ship "Neptune" which we had in this port loaded back to Bremen since the above time, for which we had to deposit at the Custom House the highest rate of tonnage of $1 per ton, as well as the 5 p.C. additional duty on goods imported in the same, the Collector expressing the hope that it would be refunded after the circumstances had been taken in consideration by the Department.

The treaty being effected by Govt. thro' Baumgarden and considered in force on the part of Bremen, our friends there in their letters express their surprise at the above charge, and our agent here a few months ago at the Department of State knowing how without result, we take the liberty of addressing now with the humble request, that your Honor, may be pleased to inform us, what we have

to Texas or to expect of the said Treaty for us and our constituents.

By the "Neptune" which we are going to despatch to Brenmen within 8 days we are desirous of writing to our friends in relation to this subject, and her Tonnage being due we are anxious, before paying it, to have your Honor's decision in this matter, in perfect reliance upon the equity of which, we have the honor to subscribe ourselves,

Your most obedient humble Servants

E Kauffman Jr.

Galveston Th 28th February 1845.

Galveston March 15th 1845

Hon Abner Smith
Secty of State

Sir,

As I have concluded to remove from the County of San Patricio I deem it proper to resign my seat as Representative in Congress from that County, and hereby beg leave to do so.

Respectfully
Your Obt Svt

J. C. Jones

Washington 3rd June 1895

Sir

I am directed by the Secretary of War to transmit herewith, for your information, a copy of the report of the Board of Officers appointed by the Secretary of War to examine and report upon the practicability of establishing a military post at or near Fort Yates, Dakota, and the necessity for the same.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.

Adjutant General

Chicago, Ill. April 10. 1895

Gen. Jno. C. Breckenridge,
Inspr. Gen.

Dear Sir

In reply to your favor of the 4th inst. I have the honor to inclose herewith a copy of the report of the Board of Officers appointed by the Secretary of War to examine and report upon the practicability of establishing a military post at or near Fort Yates, Dakota, and the necessity for the same.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt.

Nelson A. Miles
Lieut. Gen. U.S.A.

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Sir. Reporting proceedings of Board of Officers convened by S.O. 77 Par. 1 C.S. A.G.O. dated March 29. 1895 to examine and report upon the practicability of establishing a military post at or near Fort Yates, Dakota, and the necessity for the same.

[illegible] the Justices the Queen's Bench Division [illegible] Queen's Proctor may [illegible] the said Petition, and that the proceedings [illegible] the Petitioner may be [illegible]

In the High Court of Justice
Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division

In the Matter of the Petition of [illegible] Petitioner

And in the Matter of a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed by the above named [illegible] Petitioner against [illegible] Respondent.

{Seal}

This [illegible] day [illegible] at the Office of the Registrar [illegible] 1895

[illegible]
Chief Clerk.

In the High Court of Justice
Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division

In the Matter of [illegible] Petitioner

And in the Matter of a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed by the Petitioner against [illegible] Respondent.

1895.

[illegible] day [illegible] at the Office of the Registrar [illegible]

In the High Court of Justice
Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division

In the Matter of the Petition of [illegible] Petitioner

And in the Matter of a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage filed by the above named [illegible] Petitioner against [illegible] Respondent.

{Seal}

This [illegible] day [illegible] at the Office of the Registrar [illegible]

[illegible]
Chief Clerk.

To His Hon Sam Houston
The President of the Republic of Texas.

The petition of John W Jones respectfully sheweth that at the Spring Term of the District Court for the County of Austin A.D. 1844 an Indictment was preferred against him, your Petitioner, for Gaming on the Court House of said County, on which a true bill was found for the crime of Gaming in a public place, without any money being bet. To which your petitioner plead guilty, upon which Indictment and plea your petitioner was fined by his Honor Judge Ochiltree the smallest sum the Law would allow, to wit. Fifty dollars Your Petitioner would further represent that he is a poor man and totally unable to pay the said fine and cost without distressing himself and family. he would therefore pray your Honor to remit said fine of Fifty Dollars, and relieve the Sheriff of said County from the collection of the same, as in duty bound your petitioner would ever pray &c

John W Jones

We the Undersigned certify that we do believe the facts set forth in the above Petition are substantially True

Ezra Dilson John C Miller
and Eleven others

To

His Excellency Anson Jones.

President Republic of Texas

The undersigned citizens of Harris County would respectfully represent unto you, that at the Spring Term of the District Court of Harris County for 1844, R S Redmond was found guilty of Horse Stealing The Sentence of the law has not yet been carried into execution, and we, the undersigned, his neighbors would respectfully ask that you would be pleased to extend to him your pardoning power.

It is True a Jury have found him guilty, but it is equally True they recommended him to mercy. It is unquestionably true that he carried away the horse, but it was during the excitement in 1842, when the Country was turning out to meet the Mexicans, and Mr Redmond took the horse of Mr Canfield for the purpose of joining the army, which he did. Mr Canfield was one of those who did not see proper to turn out himself and your Excellency will readily understand why the property of such men was considered public property, by a great many of the people of Texas - and although we are not disposed to defend any such principle, we are satisfied that Mr Redmond acted from this feeling and not from the infamous feeling of Larceny.

We are his neighbors, and we know him to be an industrious and excellent citizen - We believe him to be an honest man, and to enforce the law would in this case be the ruin of a most excellent and respectable family.

We urge this appeal to your Excellency with the more confidence, because you have been a Soldier and you know how to make the necessary allowance in cases of this sort - if not to defend it, at least to draw the distinction between impropriety and Infamy.

Wm M Queen
Anson Baker
and 66 others

6 D. 333. Thursday May 2nd AD 1844

The Republic of Texas
vs
Richard S Redmond
} Indictment for Horse Stealing

Richard S Redmond, The Defendant, indicted for Horse Stealing, was This day led To The bar. Thereof arraigned, and pleaded not guilty To The Indictment; whereupon came a Jury, To wit: W S Hutchings, J Donelson, S H Cooper, James Cooke, D N C Harris, J Richardson, John Moran, J McGinlis, John Erwin, A A Roff, John Carlos and Thomas M Bagby, who being elected, Tried and sworn, The Truth of, and upon The premises To speak, and having heard The evidence, upon their oath do say, "We The Jury find "The prisoner guilty, but believe under The circumstances "That he is entitled To the mercy of the Court, and recommend, "and find The value of the horse as alledged in The "indictment." Whereupon W S Hutchins Foreman, and The Defendant by his Counsel gave notice That he should move the Court in arrest of Judgment, whereupon The prisoner was ordered To Jail.

I hereby certify That The above is a True copy from the records, in The above entitled case, as witness my hand and Seal of the Court at Office in Houston This 2nd day of April AD 1845

{Seal}

R R Lubbock Clerk

By Wm J Meeks
D C D C H C.

The undersigned citizens of the County of Brazoria would respectfully represent to His Excellency Anson Jones, President of the Republic, That at the present March term of the District Court for this County, one Jesse Blades was Tried and convicted of horse stealing and sentenced to one years imprisonment from the day of his Trial, and to receive thirty nine lashes - The undersigned beg leave to state certain facts and circumstances in this case which in their opinion renders it a proper one for the interposition of the Executive.

The prisoner is a laboring man, exceedingly ignorant and dull, with hardly sufficient intellect to enable him to distinguish between right and wrong.

He has been already punished with sufficient severity - When detected in the Commission of the offence, he was flogged by those who took him into custody and in the Month of May last he was thrown into the jail of the County where he has remained in close confinement until the time of his trial - during ten months - nearly the full Term of the imprisonment which the law inflicts for the Commission of the offence with which he is charged.

The verdict of the jury who tried the prisoner recommends him to the clemency of the President and the Court, in order to give time for the application, postponed the infliction of that degrading punishment which the law required him to pronounce to the last day of the prisoners confinement -

In view of all which the undersigned believing that it is an act of mercy called for by the circumstances of the case and which will be productive of no injurious effects - respectfully request His Excellency to grant a pardon to this convict.

Wm B Aldridge C M Forbes
John Adriance J M Smith
and 41 others

I believe the facts stated in the foregoing petition are substantially True. The man (Blades) has been unable to procure bail and remained in defaut of it in the County gaol nearly Ten months. The Jury recommend him to the mercy of the Court. He is an old, gray headed man. I have never heard him charged with any other crime Than This. He is certainly more fool Than knave. I do not think the proper ends of justice would be subserved by his longer confinement in prison. I unite at the request of the signers of the foregoing petition in its prayer that the Executive will be mercifully pleased to pardon him

Geo. Duncan
Dist. Attorney
7 Jud. Dist.

Many more signatures might have been obtained to the foregoing petition, indeed I believe the name of every man in the County, but it was deemed unnecessary - I will add my own to the solicitations of those above for the pardon of The Convict

Jno M Brooks
Sheriff Brazoria County.

To

His Excellency Anson Jones
President of the Republic of Texas

The Undersigned citizens of the County of Jasper would respectfully beg leave to represent unto Your Excellency, That at the District Court begun and held at the Court House in Jasper County of Jasper, at the September Term thereof 1842 one Samuel Hall, a citizen of said County, was there and there convicted of an assault and battery, and fined by the court one hundred dollars.

Your Petitioners would further beg

leave to represent to your Excellency that they are acquainted with said Samuel Hill, and take pleasure in recommending the said Hill as a suitable person for the pardon of Your Excellency.

We, Your petitioners ask leave further to represent to Your Excellency that the said Hill is a very poor man and has a considerable family depending upon him for sustenance. That the said Hill has at several times been in the armies of the Republic and served as a Soldier therein to the entire satisfaction of the commanding Officer as well as all others - and in conclusion would say he is in general an orderly well behaved citizen - and as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

Wm C Young Dist Atty. John Bonwell
Thos A Bagby Sheff Curtis Moore
and 24 others

Jasper County Republic of Texas.

Honorable Secretary of State

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting herewith Depositions of Daniel M Roebuck and Ezekiel Roebuck, both respectable citizens of this county, relating to the murder of Andrew Montgomery, a Deputy Sheriff of this county. Montgomery had been previously wounded by Mr Whitted, with a rifle ball, at the time he executed the writ, and afterwards murdered as set forth in the Depositions.

The Murderers have fled from justice, and taken the Negro with them. I have thought it proper to make this statement to your Honor, that through your Department, it may be placed before His Excellency, the President, with a request that he should offer a reward for the delivery of the Murderers and the Negro, within this County, that they may be brought to justice.

Given under my hand and

San Antonio April 11th 1845

J. P. Eldredge Esqr
Actg. Secy of State

Sir.

I this morning recd your official communication, dated 7th Inst. bringing me, enclosed, the Proclamation of the Secretary the President, the order and directions of which will be promptly attended to.

I have the honor to be, respectfully
Your obt Servant

David Morgan
Ch Justice B.C.

To

The Secretary of State
of the Republic of Texas

In conformity to the contract of this Undersigned, with the several associates he has chosen, under his agreement with the Republic of Texas, of the 29th of January 1824, for colonizing part of the vacant territory of the Nation; he begs leave to make report as follows: As soon as his agreement, which had been a fortnight in negotiation, had been completed, by the interchange of official copies, that he attended, on the day above mentioned, the contractor, whose name is subscribed, bargained with Major McCallum, a civil Engineer by profession, who had been in the service of the Republic, to enter upon the Territory of the Nation of land set apart for colonization, and after running and marking the lines to boundaries, such part of it, as remained unoccupied by valid title, and were fit for cultivation, into half and quarter sections of one mile square each, for the reception of colonists. For this purpose, he advanced to Major Callum (260) two hundred and sixty dollars, pursuant to a contract with him of the 30th of January; the day next succeeding the date

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Accordingly by the last of July 1824. one hundred and nine families had entered what the late Congress has termed the Mexican Colony: and Major Allen's late statement to the Texas Consulate in New Orleans, in January last, makes the number at that time, Two hundred families. The Emigrants who compose this number, are exclusively from the United States; and chiefly from Arkansas and Missouri.

In May 1824. the Undersigned entered the copartnership of many chosen associates, as their agent, he returned to Texas, by way of Red River, travelling from Fulton, 400 miles by land, to reach and explore the granted lands; and ~~[illegible]~~ the necessary resources for the successful conduct of the Enterprise, in which he had engaged. His Associates, who made him their chief Agent without any compensation, each bore of his actual disbursements, were not to share any part of the expence of the undertaking, prior to October 1824; since which month and each succeeding October, for the following years, they contracted to pay, under the penalty of forfeiture for any default, one hundred dollars, being 500 $. in five annual instalments for each of forty shares of the one hundred, into which the Undersigned distributed his entire interest in the grant, and agreement of the 29th of January 1824, between himself and the Republic of Texas.

On his arrival in the County of Bexar, he learned in the vicinity of Bexar, and as he approached it, that his contract had been so grossly misrepresented, as to be odious to the people, and as to bring the electioneering canvass, for Congress, then began, and zealously conducted by the ~~[illegible]~~ candidate. It was further intimated to the Undersigned by an officer of the Government "that it had been declared and he felt it to be his duty to inform the Undersigned that the survey which had been commenced on the 25th of August 1824. must proceed, and that many civil & military measures were in contemplation to arrest it if an attempt was made to continue it." Knowing the reports which had led to this state of things, were founded in falsehood, and feeling that they reflected more injuriously upon the Government of Texas, than on himself, the Undersigned was rather disinclined to proceed, than deterred by these most extraordinary and groundless threats. He travelled as he had done, on horseback, lodging at night on the open prairies; and by day sometimes

the hottest ends of July and August, sometimes annoyed by sickness, but never disheartened or affrighted by the terrors set before him.

The Undersigned is required to state his several contracts, and, when known to him, those of his sub-agents. His first contract he has already stated, to have followed in a single day, his agreement of the 29th of January 1824, with the Republic of Texas; and was, with May Del Fillows, who considers Bonham in Fannin County, his place of abode

The next contract was made by his Sub-agent and associate, Doctor Daniel Rowlett, with Mr Bean, the clerk of Fannin County Courts, and also, a deputy Surveyor of that County; and was for sectionizing the grant, at the rate of ten dollars per mile, for every mile required to be run and marked.

The third contract, for completing the outlines of the grant, was made on the 15th of August, with A Johnston, residing near Paris in Lamar County, in which he was united with a younger brother living in the same neighborhood. In this, the same price was fixed, for the lines required to be run, but only for those which connecting fronts whose bearing from each other was unknown, and, therefore, were to be twice run, in order to be permanently marked, 3 dollars per mile was allowed. This contract was completed to the Brazos, on the 15th of January, or near it, as the Undersigned has been informed, by A Johnston the contractor, who with his youngest brother, was to complete the outlines of the grant that were needed to give specific notice of its boundaries to all persons interested therein

The boundary, from opposite the lower bend of the falls Machita was comprehended within the lines of the large former grant to M. G Peters and others. Their Eastern line, was in truth six miles East of it; and for this reason May A.S Peters deemed it unnecessary to run it, since, unless their contract should be confirmed, the Undersigned could not colonize no lands East of the former grant, and consequently none East of his first line of 30 miles in length, from Red River.

But learning in January last that the Congress of Texas desired all the outlines to be run, the Undersigned diligently met their wishes, by tendering in- structions and adequate means to have the first line of 30 miles run, as soon as he was thus apprised and this he did, without doubting that the resolutions

expressing the desire in making a compromise with the
agreeable to the provisions of the contract of the 29th of
January, between the Republic and the Undersigned, was
a favorable modification of that Contract, and under the
Consideration of Texas, absolutely void. The receipts of the
Contracts hitherto made, were made by Dr Rowlett. The
last contract is believed to have been entered into, for the
purpose of laying off for colonization in the Etowagon of the
name of Bolton, part of the lands before mentioned between
the Brazos and the Trinity.

The expenses hitherto attendant on these
various operations and the planting of more than 100 Emigrant
families on the said lands, have much exceeded the first estimate
of the Undersigned on making which, he was assisted by
Maj Pollam. That gentleman alone, had advanced for me
the undersigned, nearly six thousand; 1092 dollars and to Mrs
Rowlett and his brother two hundred and twenty eight
had been paid in currency both. The personal exertions of
the Chief Agent, in journeys by sea and land 11,500 miles
had amounted to but seven hundred and fifty seven
dollars, on the 3d day of March 1845; down to which the
account of these disbursements to had been carried.

Rifles Guns, powder and lead, sufficient
to supply 100 recruits, of the very best construction, to
three hundred others, have been forwarded to the Colony
under the care of Mr Matthewson, Esq., of Paris, in Lamar
County, and have before this, reached their destination. Duplicates
were also remitted by the same conveyance to the Said Genl
Doctor David Rowlett, late of the Congress of Texas for twenty
Colt repeaters, and larger ammunits deposited in the hands of
J. C. Lendenberger and Co. of New Orleans, to meet the drafts
for the payment of the Surveyors engaged in laying off
and delineating the Townships to be colonized, should such
Act have been the action of the Undersigned, that no doubt
exists, on his part that every condition of this contract
will be scrupulously and strictly complied with in despite
of the obstacles thrown in his way by circumstances thereon
within; and by the acts of the two houses of the last Con
gress, founded on their misrepresentations of the
designs of the contract made by the Undersigned with
the Republic of Texas, thro the action of the late President.

The Agent late the Undersigned was
prompted to enter into a full explanation of the circum
stances which led to such accompanied a contract signed
by the 17th of January 1844, which since transcribed, and
time officially with the knowledge of more than nine

persons, Heirs of whom their official stations, under the eye of the Congress, than in England; not one of whom could have been absent under the circumstances of secrecy; each one of whom had many inducements, besides an honorable One, to keep the contract, and many times before, since ascertaining its magnificent and comprehensive, may have acquainted any circumstance relating to the principalities of the contract in the Northern Continental, Navigable and Mountainous, in August last, the Undersigned forbears to add any further details to the above declaration.

We had omitted to add, that besides, to the persons beforementioned, more than 300 had been employed, prior to the 4th of March, by the Undersigned, the advertisements of the terms of Colonization, have, by copies of this contract, hardbills, few of Counties, Circulars on draft and miscellaneous stand; and Doctor Bowles is known to have paid out three hundred dollars, either by drafts on New Orleans or otherwise, to Mr Bean and Mr Patton.

As a fund for Surveyors fees the sum of Eight dollars is demandable of each colonizer family; but, as yet, no contract has been made to the Undersigned of the payment of this sum, by any of the colonists; with well, prior to the 1st of July next, nearer for 160 acres more than the contract of the undersigned requires him to convey to any one family of emigrants.

Mr Duty last May Pillans was withdrawn from his duties as Surveyor, at his request; and he was directed to direct the general operations within which any part of the lands set apart for colonization, come forward to be, in order that he might ascertain and report the surveyors in the field; next to arrange any credit for roadways, within the prescribed set forth, in the beforementioned contract. No report has, as yet, been received by the Undersigned from that gentleman, on the result of his examination. Overtaken by sickness at Nacogdoches, so long remained there incapable of any bodily or mental labor, and after which the Undersigned was taken as child to Grants, but that his health is now perfectly reestablished.

That the Undersigned is bound by his contract and promises by his instructions to avoid any interference with rights antecedent to the date of his contract, he finds it to be equally his duty to the Republic and to himself to enforce rigidly, those which are guaranteed to him by that contract, and both of all will be united there

surveys or locations avowedly made, as soon as this contract was known, by a body of hungry speculators, in open defiance of the rights, and of the proclamation, then in force, of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, in June 1844, made by order of the President, with a view to the pending negotiations for peace, with the several Indian Tribes in the frontier counties of the Republic. Within those counties and on that frontier, the western boundary of the lands aforesaid, will be found, and near the centre of the part of those lands, west of the Brazos, and in their favorite hunting grounds; and have since been the theatre of their depredations on the Colonists. In all doubtful cases the undersigned will ever be compromised to avoid litigation of which experience and observation have taught him the folly.

He referred to the last Congress, too late in the session to effect any desirable modifications of the contract, with a view to condense the population on the lands reserved for colonization along the Indian frontier; to economize and judiciously apply the vacant lands, to the extension of colonization on the magnificent prairie; and to the application of a fund for clearing out and otherwise improving the navigation of the Brazos river.

He yet hopes to effect these very important ends in a manner equally beneficial to the colonists, to the undersigned and to the Republic of Texas.

The last semi-annual report state the names of the Copartners of the undersigned, and the terms in general of their association with them, under the Title of the "The Texas association". Since then no material change has taken place in the organization of the association or the persons it comprehends all which is most respectfully submitted in compliance with his duty, by

E F Moran

Original Contractor and
Chief Agent of the
Texas Association

New Orleans, Louisiana
March 31. 1846.

Galveston Dec 28. 1844

Hon Secretary of State

Dear Sir,

Some time since I addressed a communication to the State Department resigning the Office of Chief Justice of Refugio County. An acceptance of the resignation has not yet been received. In the communication above alluded to I set forth the reasons, that induced me to resign the Office, which I conceive unnecessary to recapitulate. The location of the county seat, being situated in an extreme part of the county, besides other considerations which would not justify my return, are some of the causes that have influenced me to adopt this course.

With respect I have the
Honor to subscribe myself
Humble Servant

Benj. R Nead

Washington June 28th 1845

Hon Ebenezer Allen
Secretary of State ad interim &c.

Sir.

I hereby respectfully tender to you my resignation of the office of Senator for the District composed of the Counties of Fabrine, Shelby and Harrison to take effect from this date.

I am Sir, very respectfully
Your obt Servant

David E Kaufman

Washington Texas June 25th 1845

Hon Ebenezer Allen
Secretary of State ad interim.

I hereby respectfully notify the Department of State That I have this day accepted the appointment of Charge d'Affaires to the United States, Tendered me some time since by the Mon Department and await orders.

I am Sir very respectfully
Your obt Servant

David G Burnet

Washington Dec 1st 1844

Hon Anson Jones.

Dear Sir.

I have the honor to submit to you a List of the Emigrants that arrived in Austin's Colony previous to the 1 July 1844.

Very respectfully
Your o. t. s.

P N Barkesdale
Agent for the Company

	Heads of families	Single men	Women	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Short guns	Pounds of Lead
East of Trinity Nacogdoches Co	84	102	145	222	17	158	18	159½	3½
East Fork of Trinity Jasper Co	25	25	36	71	5	38	2	56	83
Bayou Pinchero Jasper Co	22	14	34	81	"	34	8	28½	55½
West of Trinity in Robertson Co	29	26	39	70	3	43	7	30½	56
Heads of Elm Fork Bayou Pinchero in Jasper County	34	14	28	38	4	10	—		
	194	184	305	482	29	286	35	254½	566

East of County and on White Rock Township	Heads of Families	Females over 16	Males over 16	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets or Shot Guns	Pounds	Lead
1. William C Abbot Head		1							
2 Henry Atkinson		1							
3 Fredrick Ballard		1	1			1		1	1
4 John M Brants	1		2				2	1	6
5 John Burgess		1	1						
6 William B Bethell		1	1						
7 Crawford Brown		1	1			2		1	1
8 John Beeman	1		3	8		2	2	½	3
9 Janice Beeman	1		1	2		1			
10 John D Beeman	1		1	3		1			
11 Ralph H Barksdale		1						½	1
12 John Bailey		1	1						
13 William H Barnes		1	1						
14 Daniel Boles	1		1	6	1	1	1	½	6
15 Joshua Barker	1		1			1		2	4
16 Edward Brown		1	1						
17 John G Boles		1				1			
18 Hugh Braley		1	1						
19 William O Braley		1	1						
20 Jotham Brown	1		1			1		1	4
21 William Black		1	1			1		1	1
22 William Barry		1	1						
23 John W Barker		1	1						
24 Larkin Baker	1		1	6	1	5	1		
25 James M Baker		1							
26 Jacob C Baker		1							
27 William M Cochran	1		2	4		1			4
28 Calvin Cole	1		1	5		2	1	5	15
29 Henderson Couch	1		1			1	0	1	3
30 John Cole	1		1	5	1	1		5	15
31 James Cole		1	1			1	1	1	4
32 John H Cole		1	1			1			
33 William M Conover	1		1	1		2		1	1
34 William B Cox	1		1	3		1		3½	10
35 George M Cox		1	1						
36 Isaac Cox		1	1						
37 John Carey Sen	1		1			1		½	4
38 John Carey Jun	1		1	2		1		1	4
39 William Colter (Dead)	1		2						
40 Cumiathy Carey		1							
41 William M Chandler	1		1	4		2		1½	8
42 Elijah M Chandler		1	1			1			
43 C C Chandler		1	1						

	Heads of Families	Single men	Sculers	Children	Slaves	Ryfles	Muskets & Fuzees	Pounds	Tons
Brought over	18	23	41	47	2	28	3	57	65
44 Williams & Carleton	1	-	1	3		1		1	2
45 Elmore A Case		1							
46 Samuel Case	1	0	1			1			
47 Hinca de Caldwell	1		1	2		2		2	8
48 Edward Cox	1		1			1		1	2
49 Josiah Carr	1		1			1		1	
50 Cornelius Conaby		1	1						
51 Abraham Carver	1		1	5		2		½	2
52 Solomon Carver	1		1	4		1		½	2
53 John C Cook	1			5		3		22	110
54 James O Cumbrough	1								
55 Thomas Cornfield	1		1						
56 A Devore		1	1						
57 Powel Dean		1	1						
58 James Dorland		1							
59 Joseph Dolton	1		1			1		½	2
60 Cabron Earle	1		1	2		1		¼	¼
61 Edmond B Ely (Dead)	1					1	1		
62 Abiah Elkins		1	1			1		½	1
63 Saunders Elliot	1		1	3		2		4	10
64 Samuel D Evans		1	1						
65 James Fryer		1	1						
66 Franklin Falkner	1		1	5		1		½	2
67 Morris Ferris	1		1	6		2		5	6
68 John Graham	1		1	8		3		¼	1¼
69 William M Graham		1	1						
70 Thorge H Glover		1	1			1			
71 James S Garrout		1	2	1					
72 Jeremiah Garrout		1	1			1			
73 Daniel Goddard		1	1			1		1½	3
74 Peter Gibson	1			2		1		1	2
75 James Gibson	1					2		1	2
76 William Gibson	1			6		1		1	3
77 Solomon Hewett	1		1			1			
78 Jackson Hewett	1		1	1		1			
79 John Hewitt	1		1	2	5	2	1	3	15
80 John Huggins		1	2				1	6½	2
81 William Mc Harrow		1	1						
82 Andrew L Howe		1	1						
83 Joseph Hensley		1	0						
84 Thomas Hill	1			4		1	0		
85 Theodosius Howes	1	1				1	0	1	4

	Heads of Families	Females	Single men	Widows	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets or Short Guns	Pounds Powder	Pounds Lead
Brot. over	13	19	38	108	8	6	11	83	136	
86 William R Howes		0								
87 Andrew Howes		1								
88 John A Halford	1			1	2	2		1	4	
89 James P Halford	1			5		1		1	2	
90 Jacob M Halford		1								
91 Vincent Hutton	1		1	3		1		1	2	
92 Benjamin Jamary		1	1			1		1	1	
93 Isaac Jackson	1		1	2		1			4	
94 James Joy		1								
95 James Johnson		1	1							
96 Asa Johnson		1								
97 Thomas Johnson		1	1							
98 Thomas Keenan	1		2	5		1		½	1	
99 William Kenmore	1		1	3		1		1	2	
100 William Lamer	1		2	4		2		1	1	
101 Henry Long		1				1				
102 Preston Lewis		1	1			1		½	½	
103 William Lundy	1		1	6		1		1	2	
104 Sydney P Lyon		1	1			1		9	20	
105 John A Leonard	1		1	1		2		5	5	
106 Joshua Leonard		1	1			1		5	5	
107 Silburn Lacy		1								
108 Benjamin Moore		1	1			1				
109 Asa D Mounts	1	0	1	2		2		1	4	
110 Jackson A Mounts		1	1							
111 Thomas A Mounts		1	1							
112 John Miller		1	1	1		1				
113 Andrew J Mannon	1		1	4		2				
114 Thomas J Mannon		1				1				
115 James McBride	1		1	3		3		4	16	
116 James Mathews		1								
117 William Morris	1		1	3		1		3	3	
118 Simeon B Morris		1								
119 Eli Merrell	1		1	3		1	1	2	5	
120 Benjamin Merrell	1		1			1				
121 Elijah McCreary		1	1							
122 Hardy Martin		1	1							
123 John F McClelland	1			5		1		1½	4	
124 John J McClelland		1								
125 George W McDavid		1				1		½	1	
126 Lewis M Morgan	1					1				
127 Thomas Martin		1								
	18	19	142	14						

	Heads of families	Single men	Cattle	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Shot guns	Bowie knives	Swords
Brot over	59	68	102	165	10	102	12	161	281
128 Anthony Martin		1							
129 Owen Meadling	1			5					
130 Ruth Meadling	1			4	1	2		1	2
131 Rachal Meadling	1								
132 James Murphin		1							
133 James Miller		1							
134 James McKeam	1		1						
135 Williams Menees	1		1						
136 Nicholas Nash		1	1						
137 R M Nash		1	1			2		2	2
138 John Ohara		1				0			
139 John Odle		1	1						
140 John L Pulliam		1	2			3		1	1
141 Willis L Parks	1		1	1		1		1	1
142 John Peavyhouse		1				1			
143 Josiah L Phelps		1	1			1			
144 Victor Pannell	1		1	5		1		1	2
145 Samuel Peck (Dead)	1								
146 Nelson Rector	1		2						
147 Mary Ripperton	1		1	2	1	1			
148 Elam Ripperton	0	1	1	1		1		1	4
149 Abney Ripperton		1				1			
150 William Ripperton		1				1			
151 James Reading		1	1			1			
152 Joseph Rainey	1		1			1			
153 Barthol L Smith	1		1	3		1	1	½	½
154 James Shelby	1		1			1		1	2
155 Samuel Stockton	1		1			1	1	½	2
156 David Shahan	1		1	9		1	1	4½	12
157 William Shahan		1	1			1			
158 Wilburn Smith		1				1			
159 John Strickland	1		1	2		1		1	4
160 Thomas Sorrell		1				1		1	1
161 Aaron Scaggs	1		1						
162 Jefferson Selby		1							
163 John Thomas	1		1	5	4	1	1	5	15
164 Ellis L Thomas		1	1			1			
165 Isaac T Thomas		1				1			
166 Alexander A Thomas		1				1			
167 Samuel Tucker		1	1						
168 William Tramer		1							
169 Thacker Vivion		1	3			1		1	4

	Heads of families	Single men	Cabins	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Shot guns	Powder	Lead
Brot over	78	92	131	302	16	113	16	132	333½
170 James Vivion		1	1			1		1	4
171 John Vivion		1	1			1		1	4
172 Hilliam L Valentine		1							
173 Hiram Vail		1	1						
174 Breton Hill	1		1	1		1		2	2
175 Pleasant Hill		1	1			1		1	1
176 James Hooley	1		1			1		1	20
177 Henderson Walker		1	1			1	1		
178 Landon C Walker	1		1	3		1			
179 Robert Hulett		1	1			1		¼	1
180 Isaac Webb	1		1	5		2		½	4
181 Samuel Pratt		1				1		1	3
182 Hiram Hilburn	1		1	6	1	1		2	4
183 Abraham Worth		1	1			1			
184 John Hill		1	1				1	3	3
185 John Young	1		1	5		2		4	10
	84	102	145	222	17	158	18	159¼	371½

On the East Fork of Trinity and McGarahs in Jasmin Cty	Heads of families	Single men	Cabins	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Shot guns	Powder	Lead
1 John Barr		1	1						
2 William Butler	1			6		1		5	5
3 Isaac Butler	1			4		2		3	2
4 John Butler		1							
5 Hezakiah Caldwell	1		1	4		1		1	4
6 John Caldwell		1	1			1			
7 John Craiger	1		1	3		1		1	1
8 James Caldwell		1	1			1			
9 John Crutchfield	1		1	1	3	1		2	10
10 George Crutchfield		1	1			1		1	1
11 Dalton Cowan	1		1	5		2		2	5
12 John M Curtis		1	1			1		1	2
13 Polly Dunn	1		1	2	1	1		1	2
14 Jonas Dawson	1		1						
15 Thomas Ethridge	1		1						
16 Washington Ford		1	1						
17 Robert Fitchew		1				1		½	1
18 Gabriel Fitchew		1				1		½	1
19 Solomon Fitchew		1				1		½	1
			15						

	Heads of families	Single men	Colored	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Short guns	Pounds Powder	Lead
Brot over	9	10	13	31	4	16	0	18½	35
20 John Gray		1				1		½	1
21 William Holden		1	1						
22 William Higgins	1	0	1	1		1		1	2
23 Denton Reeves		1							
24 William A Handy		1	1			1		1	2
25 John Laramore	1		1	2		1		½	1
26 Peter Lucas		1	1			1		1	1
27 Isam Laren	1		1						
28 John McGarrah	1		3	5		1		1	1
29 George McGarrah	1		1	6		1			
30 James M McReynolds	1		1	1		2		½	2
31 Thomas McDonald	1		1			1		1½	
32 George McPearson		1	1			1		1	2
33 Simpson Pulliam		1	1			1		1	2
34 Richard Rhalland	1					1		2	4
35 Silas Bruit		1	1						
36 William Rice	1		1	8		2	1	2	4
37 Pascal Rice		1	1			1	1	1	2
38 Ezekiel Roberson		1							
39 Joseph R Rice		1				1			
40 Thomas C Simpkins		1							
41 Mary Standifer	1		1	2					
42 John Stover	1		1	2		1			
43 Allen Vestell		1				1		½	6
44 Grafton Williams	1		1	1		1		½	2
45 George Wilcox		1	1						
46 William Wardew	1			4	1	1		2	15
47 William Wardew	1			1					
48 George Webb		1				1		½	1
49 Archibald White	1		1						
50 Polly Augusta D	1		1	4					
	25	25	36	71	5	38	2	36	83

In the Cross Timbers in Jasper County	Acres of Timber	Single men	Cabins	Chimneys	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & short guns	Pounds Lead	Lead
1 Edmund Adey		1				1		1	1
2 Joseph Blalock	1		1	1		1			
3 Benjamin Byrd		1	1				1	1	4
4 Elisha Clary	1		1	2		1	1	1	2
5 Thomas Casey	1		1	1		1		1/4	1
6 Joseph M Conner	1		1	3		3		1	3
7 William D Conner		1	1			1			
8 Spencer Graham	1		1	1		1			
9 John Lucas	1		1	2			1	1/2	1
10 C D Gunter		1							
11 William I Hart	1		1	3		1		1/4	1 1/2
12 John Hall	1		1	1		1		1/2	2
13 Berry Kean		1	1						
14 John King	1		1	8		1	1	2	5
15 William King		1	1			1		1	2
16 Augustus King		1				1		1	2
17 William Literal (Dead)	1		1	7		1			
18 Nathaniel L Literal		1	1			1		1/2	
19 Benjamin Literal		1							
20 Robert McKellar	1		1	2		1			
21 John McDuffee	1		1	4		1	1		
22 Charles Manahan	1		1	1		1		1	1
23 Frances Pearce	1		3	3		1		1 3/4	4
24 Elihu Pickett		1	1						
25 James Parrish		1	1			1		1	2
26 John Stinnett	1		3	8		1	1	4	12
27 George Stinnett		1	1			1			
28 David Shelby	1		1	5		4		1/2	2
29 John Shoon	1		1	1		2			
30 James Shelby		1	1			1			
31 Joseph F Turner	1		2	6		2	1	1/2	5
32 Isaac Venters		1	1						
38 John Mitwell	1		1	6			1		8
34 John Waggoner	1		1	3		2		3	4
35 Robert C Whisenaunt	1		1	6		1		2	
36 Peter Waggoner	1		1	7		2		2	3
	22	14	37	81	-	37	8	28 3/4	55 1/2

	West of Trinity River in Robertson County	Heads of Families	Single Men	Leather	Children	Guns	Rifles	Shotguns & Rifle guns	Pounds Lead
1	Richard Asbury	1	1	5		1	1	1	3
2	George Allen		1						
3	James Billingsley	1	1	3		3	1	2	2
4	Samuel Billingsley	1	1	4		3		2	2
5	Nathan F Billingsley	1	1			1		1	3
6	William Billingsley		1	1		1		1	2
7	Samuel Browning	1	1	1					
8	Horace Burnham		1	1		2		2	1
9	Hudson Burrus		1	1					
10	William Coombs	1	1	4		1	2	3	5
11	D Green Coombs	1	1	1		1		2	3
12	Isaac N Coombs		1			1			
13	Richard N Case		1	1					
14	George Crockett		1						
15	William H Coombs		1						
16	George W Dooley	1	1	3		1		1	
17	John Durrett	1	1	2					
18	Abner Durrett		1			1		1	1
19	Duran Durrett		1						
20	William D Evans (Dead)		1						
21	Asa Ellis	1	1	5		1		2	2
22	Joseph Graham	1	1	3		1			
23	Milton N Graham		1			1			
24	D R Headstream		1	1					
25	Enoch Horton	1	1			1			
26	Robert Herrold		1			1		1/2	1
27	James J Johnson Dead	1							
28	George Leonard	1	1	4	3	2	2	1	10
29	George W Le Leonard		1	1		1			
30	Stephen McCormas	1	1	4					
31	McNamara	1	1			1			
32	A R Newton		1			1		1	2
33	John Narboe	1	1			1			
34	Peter Narboe		1	1		1		2	2
35	John Narboe Jun		1	1		1		1	1
36	Powel M Narboe		1	1		1		1	1
37	Thomas Polk		1	1					
38	Joseph Reed		1						
39	Elizabeth Roberson	1							
40	Steel	1		1	6	2		1/2	2
41	Elijah Shepherd		1						
42	James Starrett	1		1	1	1		1/2	1
43	Squires	1		1	3				
		21	23	44	4	33	6	25½	50

	Heads of families	Single men	Colored	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & short guns	Pounds	Lead
Brought over	21	22	30	52	3	35	6	25½	50
44 James Sloan	1		1						
45 William Sloan		1							
46 Fortinatus Sloan.		1							
47 Jonathan J Thomas	1		1	2		1	1	1	1
48 Joseph Worley	1		1	3		1		2	4
49 O M Williams	1		1			1		1	1
50 John M Wright	1		1	1		1			
51 William Welch	1		1	5		1			
52 Henry Young	1		1	6		5		1	
53 Wesley Young		1	1						
54 William Young		1							
55 John V Edwards	1		1	1					
	29	26	39	70	3	43	7	30½	56

Head of Elm Fork of Trinity & Mineral on the Cross Timbers Jonesboro County

	Heads of Families	Single men	Colored	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Shotguns	Pounds	Lead
1 Robert Mcheeon	1		1						
2 John Browning	1		1	4		1			
3 Isaac Clark	1		1	3					
4 Franklin Clark		1	1						
5 Benjamin F Carpenter	1		1						
6 William A Clark		1	1						
7 Benjamin F Clark		1	1						
8 Robert Lacey	1		1						
9 Abner Fox	1		1						
10 Lefford French	1		1			1			
11 John M Glover	1		1						
12 Richard L Glover		1	1						
13 John Hews	1		1						
14 Burwell Hunter	1		1						
15 Littleton W J Hall	1		1						
16 James Marbolt	1		1						
17 Archibald Moreton		1							
18 Robert Grier		1	1						
19 Henry Sullivan		1	1						
20 Hogan Inmon	1		1						
21 Dixon Perry		1	1						
22 Samuel Kennedy		1	1						
23 Calvin M Kennedy		1							
	13	10	11	7					

	Heads of Families	Single men	Boys	Children	Slaves	Rifles	Muskets & Shot guns	Powder	Lead
Brot over	13	10	21	7		2			
24 Lloyd Lusher	1		1	2					
25 Miriam Mudgett	1		1						
26 John McCormar	1		1						
24 Williams Middleton		1	1			1	1		
28 John Matthews		1	1						
29 Polly Matthews	1			4					
30 Gerard McCarty	1		1	1	4	3			
31 Russel Mayburry	1		1						
32 Daniel Prine	1		1	2		1			
33 Elihu Prine	1		1	1		1			
34 Stephen Riggs	1		1						
35 Thomas Rutledge		1	1			1			
36 James Rutledge		1	1						
37 Bennet Rutledge	1			2		1			
38 Mary Rutledge	1			2					
39 Jane Rutledge	1			3					
40 Silas Stotts	1		1	1					
41 Isaac Smith	1		1						
42 William Snider	1		1						
43 Edmond Shirley	1		1	5					
44 John Tunny	1		1						
45 James G Thompson	1		1	4					
46 Stormon Underwood	1		1						
47 Silas Underwood	1		1	2					
48 Gilbert Woolsey	1		1						
49 James S Weldon	1		1						
50 William B Weldon		1	1						
51 Samuel Weaver	1		1						
52 Andrew J Weaver		1	1						
53 Charles Wheelock	1		1						
54 Seaholcon Whalock		1	1						
	34	17	48	38	4	10			

The Republic of Texas }
County of Robertson } Personally appeared, before me, Henry Reed, Chief Justice and Ex-officio Notary public in and for the County aforesaid, Ralph A Barkedale, Agent for Peter's Colony, who, after being duly sworn, on oath says, that the foregoing is a True Statement of the families that arrived previous to the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred

and forty four.

Given under my hand and private seal, having no seal of office at Brantlin this the 3d day of December 1844

Sworn To and subscribed before me
B A Reed
Chief Justice & Ex Offcio Notary Public R.C.

Ralph H Barksdale

Houston, Texas Jany 19th 1845

To
The Acting Secretary of State

The second semi-annual report of the Texas Association To The Secretary of State of the Republic of Texas, made in conformity to the provisions of an agreement bearing date the 29th of January 1844. between the Republic of Texas, acting by His Excellency Sam Houston, President Thereof, and Charles Fenton Mercer and such associates as he might choose.

The "Texas Association" is the "common name or title" assumed by The Grantee C F Mercer, and his associates on The 8th of May 1844, under his contract with The Republic of Texas, of the 29th of January next preceding: and the annexed list furnishes the names and opposite to them, the number of "shares of the Stock" property" of the association, held on the 1st day of the present month, by himself and his associates, respectively, as are the residences of the shareholders.

Names and abode	Residence originally	No of Shares
C F Mercer	Tallahassee Florida	Virginia 54½ Shares
Dr Rowlett	near Bonham Texas	Virginia 5 do
E E Cabell	Tallahassee Florida	Virginia 6 do
Richd Berchett	do do	Virginia 3 do
John R Cooke	Richmond Virginia	Virginia 5 do
B F Whitner	near Tallahassee Florida	South Carolina 3 do
Revd N McBride	near Quincy Florida	North Carolina 5 do
Saml C N Dickens	at Quincy Florida	South Carolina 2 do
James B Gamble	at Tallahassee Florida	Virginia 2 do
J M Anderson	at Louisville Kentucky	Kentucky 1 Share
Dr L P Yandell	at Louisville Kentucky	Tennessee 1 do
Doctor A H Garnett	Lorette P O Virginia	V. 1 do

Names and abode			Where originally	No. of Shares
		Brother		88½
Genl. T. Brown	At Tallahassee	Florida	Virginia	1 Shares
H. A. Bemis	at do	do	Virginia	1 do
Robert White	at do	do	N. Carolina	1 do
Maj: Camp.	Marshal of Dist.	Tallahassee	Virginia	1 do
Benj. C. Lewis	at Tallahassee	Florida	Virginia	1 do
E. J. Booth	do	do	Virginia	1 do
Dr. W. R. Haywood	do	do	Maryland	1 do
R. J. Haywood	do	do	Maryland	1 do
A. & H. Jerimes	do	do	N. Carolina	1 do
H. L. Rutgers	do	do	New York	1 do
Thos Duvall	do	do	Kentucky	1 do
Jacob Eliott	Bowling Green, Kentucky		New York	4/5 of one
	Total number of shares			100

The preceding list, among other shares, comprehends forty; which, by agreement with his associates, the original contractor and grantee, C. A. Harris, bound himself to his associates, severally, by separate written contracts, to sell, for the purpose of raising the necessary funds to defray the expenses of surveyors and agents.

By this sale, he has hounded 4000 dollars, per annum for the five years allowed by his contract to complete the colonization of the lands described therein.

By his several contracts, with his associates, he is constituted chief agent, without compensation or salary, of the "Texas association," with very ample power to complete its objects, in a manner highly beneficial to the colonists and to the Republic of Texas.

For this purpose, he now makes his third visit to Texas. He has constituted Doctor Daniel Rowlett his "sub-agent", with equal power to supply his place, in the necessary absence, and in case of his own death or incapacity, is authorized to name his successor in the "chief" agency of the "Texas association" and to fix his salary, and prescribe his duties.

Two bodies of surveyors were engaged to act under the superintendence and instructions of Doctor Rowlett, and Capt. D. S. Dilliard, in completing the survey, then in progress, of the outlines of the lands, set apart for colonization, by his contract; and in rectifying the vacant lands, preparatory to the report to be made, on the 1st of May next. On the 1st of July, there were on the grant, 109 Emigrant families. In Testimony of the preceding statements, I have hereunto set my name, as the original grantee and Chief Agent

of the Texas Annexation Bill, on the 27th day of February eighteen hundred and forty five.

E. J. Flores
Original Grantee &
Chief Agent of the T.L.L.

The Petition of the undersigned Citizens of the County of Travis, respectfully shew and state unto your Excellency, that at the Term of this Honl Court now in session, one Henry G. Partridge, was charged with the murder of one Charles Morell, and convicted of Manslaughter, and by the Court sentenced to five years confinement in the Pen. of said State of Texas, being one half of the greatest period allowed by law.

They show, that the verdict of the Jury, seems from the offence, those circumstances necessary to render it out as an atrocious homicide, - that there were circumstances of mitigation, - that from some excitement, consequent on personal collision, there from any cool & settled and premeditated design to take the life of a fellow being. They believe the party convicted, intended no such heinous, but avoided the act at a period of excitement, and on resentment of supposed outrages.

They show, that Partridge is a married man, respectably connected by blood and marriage; that he has resided in Texas since 1839. That his habits have been those of a peaceable and unobtrusive citizen, and averse from violence. That he is poor, with no interest, or tenure, except, dependent altogether on his efforts; and who, during his confinement, in addition to wounds of the flesh, must suffer those consequent on poverty, and unaided exertions; and that should he be released by Executive Clemency, his future life will attest, that he is capable of making a useful citizen.

They show further, that the records of conviction, exceeds the just desert of the offence, and that it not, that the miseries he must endure, resulting from the dreadful conditions of his place of imprisonment aggravate its infliction. That it is filthy, unhealthy, overrun with vermin of every description - That the records of his confinement under the circumstances, must exceed the duration of his future life.

For the foregoing reasons, and as an act of necessary clemency, they pray your Excellency, most graciously to interpose, and by extending your pardon, again restore to his family and his Country, one, rather unfortunate than criminal; and whose future conduct, will attest, how justly will have been the interposition of Your Excellency.

And as in duty bound, Petitioners will ever pray.

May 1845

To His Excellency
Anson Jones
President of the Republic of Texas.

E. R. Lubbock
D. M Henderson
Martin A Snell
A J Thomston and 45 others

The Petition of the undersigned Citizens of the County of Fort Bend, respectfully shews and states unto Your Excellency, that at the Term of Harris District Court, now in Session, one D Henry Hartridge, our neighbour, on a charge of murder, committed on the person of one Joseph Merrell; was convicted of manslaughter, and by the Court sentenced to five years confinement in the Jail of said County of Harris, being one half of the greatest period allowed by Law.

They show, that the verdict of the Jury, removes from the offence, those circumstances necessary to point it out as an atrocious homicide; that there were circumstances, if not excusing, at least greatly extenuating the offence; and that it resulted, rather from excitement, consequent on personal collision, than from any cool, settled and deliberate design To Take the life of a fellow being.

They believe the party convicted, entertained no such purpose, but committed the act at a period of excitement and in resentment of supposed outrages.

They show that Hartridge is a married man, respectably connected by blood and marriage. That he has resided in Texas since 1838. That his habits have been those of a peaceable Citizen and averse from blood. That he is poor, with a virtuous wife, dependent altogether on his efforts; and who, during his confinement, in addition to wounds of the spirit, must suffer those consequents on

poverty and unaided exertions; and That should his be realized by Executive Clemency, his future life will attest, That he is capable of making a useful citizen.

They show further, That the period of confinement, exceeds the just deserts of the offence, and did it not, That the miseries he must endure, resulting from the dreadful condition of his place of imprisonment, aggravate it ten fold. That it is filthy, unhealthy, overran with vermin of every description.

That the period of his confinement under the circumstances, must exceed the duration of his future life, at the same time burthening, already an insolvent people with additional responsibilities, unnecessary in the present case.

For the foregoing reasons and as an act of necessary Clemency, They pray your Excellency, most graciously to interpose, and by extending your pardon, again restore to his family and his Country, one rather unfortunate than criminal; and whose future conduct, will attest how justly will have been the interposition of your Excellency.

And as in duty bound, we will ever pray.

May A D 1845

To His Excellency
Anson Jones
President of the Republic of Texas

Tom T Ross
Mat R Williams
H Radcliff and 45 others.

To the Honble [illegible] Allen
Secretary of State

Sir,

A Bill for $69 62/100 on your Department has been committed to our hands New York for collection. We beg to enclose a copy of it, requesting you to let us know where to present the original for payment. Most convenient would be your order on the Custom House at this port. Very respectfully

Your Mo Servants
E Kauffman & Co

[illegible] 1845

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Emigrant's Certificate

The Undersigned settlers in the grant made To W. S. Peters and his associates and their assigns by an act of Congress, entitled "An Act granting Land to Emigrants" bearing date The 4th day of February A.D. 1841. do hereby certify, each individually, That we emigrated to The Republic of Texas and settled within the aforesaid Colony or grant, subsequent to The 1st day of July A.D. 1834. and prior to The 1st day of July A.D. 1835. That we emigrated To said Republic, and were specially introduced, Viewed as aforesaid under The auspices and inducements of The grantees of The Colony aforesaid or their assigns. That we have built a comfortable log cabin — have a good rifle, Yager or Musket, and That we are bona fide settlers, and desire by a strict compliance on our part with The Law in that behalf made and provided, To secure all and singular The benefits accruing from the same.

Joshua Hodges - family
Pillon Lair - family
Thomas Lake - family
James M Lake - Single
James Clevenger - family
Braxton Clevenger - Single
Alex Torrells - family
James B Edwards - family
David May - family
John Cox - Single
Peter Cox Single
Charles Baker - fam.
James Green - fam.
Samuel Hall - Single
James Narrow - Single
Henry Tucker - family
Malachi Tucker - Single
Wm Narrow - Single
M Baggett - family
G. M. Hunter - family
J B Bayne - Single
Edward Allison - Sing
E. J. Spencer } Single
Harvey Marby }
Ashford Jackson } Single

Robert his ✓ mark Channing - family
Peter Bray - family
Richard Channing - Single
Benjamin Basket - Single
Samuel Young - family
M & M Clevenger - family
Reuben Clevenger - family
William Cox. family
James McCommas - family
Amen McCommas - family
Joseph Bingmore - family
Solomon Dixon - family
Stephen McCommas - Single
John McCommas - Single
Wm R Cowan - Single
Samuel Chandler - Single
E Reed - family
A M Hardaway - Single
A A Huddleston - Single
M D Henry - Single
Josiah Cartin - Single
Thos A Pain - Single
Isaiah Henry - Single
Jacob Hart - family
Thomas Fore Single
Jno A family

Morgan Wood - family
Alexander Wood } single
Thomas M Wood } single
Aaron McConaughey - Farm
Wm A Mechlin - Farm
A Buchanan - Single
Alburnus Monaghan - family
Oliver Long - Family
P G Miller - Family
Eli F Phipps - Family
Eli Murphy - Family
Samuel Mercer - Family
David Murrell - Family
William McMurray - Single
Widow Ephraim McDonald - Single
Eli Meredith Sen - Single
Francis Vincent - Single
Geo Leighton Single
John Lore Single
Wm Hall - Single
Peter A Allen - Family
William Allen - Single
William Pabst - Single
William Jenkins - Single
Archibald Ramsay - family
W B Hammond - family
John M Harding - family
A C Thomas - family
A Hammond - Single
Henry McCollough - family
Elizabeth O'Daly - family
Thomas Bingham - Family
Allen Pearson - Single
Aaron Hamilton - Single
Levi Bledsoe - Single
John Bartram - Single
William J Patton - Single
John C Patton - Single
James L Patton - family
Wm Robinson
Absalom M Callahan
Wm his mark Phillips
Henderson Murphy
R M Applegate
Alexander M Perry
Abram his mark Milburn Junr
M [illegible]

Abraham Hart - Single
Elbert Baggett - Single
Henry Hand - Farm
Frederick Handy - Farm
Thomas McClain - Single
Eli Frazier - family
Thomas M Frazier - Single
Wm G Frazier - Single
Elias Frazier - family
John Frazier - family
Wm Frazier - Single
Peter Frazier - family
Isaac Frazier - family
Samuel Stroud - family
M M Barnard - family
Bryette Eastwood - family
Meredith Perry - Single
[illegible] - Single
Asa Hobbs - Single
Mary Kennady - family
James Kennady - Single
Aaron West - family
James Neal - Single
Albert Moore - family
Isaac Key - family
E F Fogg - Single
William C Tackett - Single
Peters Bethurum - family
Benj F Bethurum - Single
William B Hamm - family
Isaac Hamm - family
James Means } Single
Isaac C McCoy } Single
Aaron his X mark Decker
Henry his X mark Orr
William Mackey
Thomas Patton
James M Ron
William J Patton
James Hilton
Saml B Lemmon
Robert his X mark Milburn
Edmund his X mark Milburn
Richard Jarrett
Aaron Morgan
[illegible]

William Perrin
Catharine Brien
Abner B Perrin
David G Thomas
George Perrin
Thomas Dunk
W B Wilson
Robert Tucker
Joseph Bartlett
James M Brown
Joab McManus
Nathan Hoffman
Joseph Bacus
Sally Perry
John Bartlett
Joshua Bartlett
W E Davidson
R B Y Davidson
Josiah Stephenson
W B Stephenson
John P Stephenson
Joseph Symmes
P M Stephenson
Henry A Tucker
William B Tucker
Andrew J Tucker
Jo A. Bankhead
R A Bankhead
William C Bankhead
William Loftin
John R his X mark Burrows
Langdon C Searcy
George F Lucas
Leonard Searcy
Strachly Searcy
Thomas Searcy
William C Brown
Zachariah Hutchins
Daniel Fowler
Josiah his X mark Fowler
John his X mark Fowler
Joseph his X mark Fowler
Hogan Witt
Eli H Witt
Joshua Antal
Frederick Williams
Erastus Ritter

James H Withers
Elisha Smith
Samuel Haydon
Rhoda King
William Smith
Samuel K Smith
John N King
William C King
Henry B Turner
Edwin Marsh
William Russell
Wm H Warren
Lydia her X mark Russell
John R Turner
Elias D Turner
Lewis his X mark Russell
Robert Russell
Wm R Turner
Gallatin Searcy
Christopher Searcy
Elijah Halsey
Nathaniel B Hazlewood
Peter Hammonson
Levi D Hammonson
Abram Lucas
William R his X mark Jones
Daniel L his X mark Franklin
William his X mark Green
Thomas G Bradley
Isham his X mark Adams Jr
James L J his mark Adams
Josiah Ritter
Wm Ritter
William his X mark Robins
Solomon R Lucas
John L his X mark Miller
James B Roberts
Goldrick L his X mark Williams
Mathew H his X mark House
John Coffman
Ira his X mark Blanchard
Peter Decker
A Davis Scott
John Fitzhugh
Maynard G his X mark Stanley
Smith his X mark Bledsoe
A Hardaway

James Ritchey
David Howard
William C Howard
Richard Picker
J C Hardaway
James Skinner
John Ramsey
Robert Hutchison
Robert M McDaniel
Bluford Reeder
William C Painter
Leonard Graves
William A Graves
John Jacobs
A P Brown
John L Miller
Joshua Richardson Sen.
Thomas Richardson
Jonathan Richardson Sun
Jonathan Richardson Sen.
Joshua Richardson Sun
Lewis Richardson
John Richardson Sun.
John Richardson Sen.
William P Jacobs
Abram Bennett
James M Bennett
Delila C Manning
William M Bennett
Robert Stubblefield
Jonathan Pringle
Denton Darby Sen
Denton Darby
Dathan Darby
Joseph Dixon
P Hagens
Michael Ramsaur
William Harris
Hmp? Overton
Aaron Overton
Caswell C Overton
John McDowell
William Hoggard
Thomas Chesten
William Fletcher
William R Fletcher

John Hodges
R M Tabor
J D Brooks
William his X mark Ramsey
J M Embree
William Southerland
Israel Southerland
John Southerland
Henry Southerland
James S Evans
James Byrd
A C March
J B Hilbert
Charles Hilbert
Joseph Jackson
Rufus Anderson
Danny Wilcox
John Peters
Moses his X mark Hughes
John Rice
Thomas Haddock
Richard Bruton
Isaac Edwards
Absalom C Russell
Isaac N Perrin
Albert B Banks
Isaac Polton
James Nordon
W N Ford
D Helms
Benjamin Keefer
Eyres Fletcher
D R Canrow
James Haygard
William C White
Jacob Helms
A B Wilson
William Spencer
Arthur Kirgan
Page Stanley
Harris Stanley
Joseph Stanley
Jeremiah Stanly
William Smith Junr
Francis M Smith
Thompson Helms

Kenneth his mark McKenzey
M A Palmer
S B Lanchart
J. M. S Sockwell
B O Duff
S Ward
Francis Marshal
Madison Maxfield
Jerkins Maxfield
Thomas Maxfield
David Vance
M G Cotton
William Butler
Lawrence Cowen
Hugh Cowen
Jesse Shelton
J M. Randolph
Joshua Pharr
William Keys
Jos M Pool
Nicholas Mulder
William Bream
Elisha Strong
Isaac Myers
Levi Horn
Larkin McCarty
Joseph M Bounds
Burnby Langston
Jackson Wilson
William M Robinson
Carlos Wise
John Millican
David S Hall
John Nisor
David P Conwart
Isaac Stover
Pall Everard
John R Billingsley
William C Billingsley

James M Sentard
James Armstrong
Henry Harrison Reed
George Loy
James A Loy
William McCarty Senr
William McCarty Junr
John Cockrell Sen
William Cockrell
Elizabeth Womack
Peter S Benton
Jeremiah H Wilson
John Rozell
William Pilcher
William D Reed
Benjamin Wagner
Robert Campbell Matthewson
Wm C Lewis
Wm Tate
Saml J Lewis
Sarah Jane Howes
Aaron Davis
Daniel Howell
James L Read
W Dies

Republic of Texas } Be it Known, That on this
Washington County } Eleventh day of August A.D.
1835, personally appeared before me Joseph Daniel, Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid, Jno. C. McCoy and Ralph H Barksdale, who on oath declared that they were present and witnessed the signing of the

foregoing Instrument of writing, and that in some instances where the individuals could not make their signatures, They caused the same to be done - And the said Jno C McCoy further says, that he witnessed the signatures of all on the first four sheets of this Instrument, down to where he made his own, which is the one hundred and twenty fifth signature from the top. And the said Ralph H Barksdale further saith, that he witnessed the signatures of all subsequent to the signing of the said Jno C McCoy. - Sworn to and subscribed

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of Office at Washington.

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Jno C McCoy
Ralph H Barksdale

Joseph Daniels
Notary Public

No	Emigrants Names	Heads of Families	Single	No of Children	Laborers	No Blind
1	William Robinson	1		2	1	
2	Stephen M Calahan		1		1	
3	William Phillips	1		2	1	
4	Henderson Murphy	1			1	
5	R P Applegate		1		1	
6	Alexander M Perry	1		3	1	
7	Hiram Wilbarn Jr		1		1	
8	H M Davidson	1		1	1	
9	William Perrin		1		1	
10	Catharine Bryan	1		2	1	
11	Abner B Perrin		1		1	
12	David G Thomas	1			1	
13	George Perrin		1		1	
14	Thomas Funk		1		1	
15	Wilbarn B Wilson		1			
16	Robert Bucker		1		1	
17	Joseph Bartlett	1	0	4	1	
18	James M Brown	1		1	1	
19	Nathan Hoffman	1		2	1	
20	Jno C McManus	1		2	1	
21	Joseph Bacus		1		1	
22	Sally Perry	1		3	1	
		18	11			

No.	Emigrants Names	Head of Families	Single	No. of Children	Colours	Slaves
		12	12	22	24	
23	John Bartlett		1	—	1	
24	Joshua Bartlett		1			
25	N E Davidson		1		1	
26	D N Davidson		1	-	1	
27	R B V Davidson		1		1	
28	Josiah Stephenson		1	-	1	
29	William B Stephenson		1			
30	John P Stephenson		1	-	1	
31	P M Stephenson		1			
32	Henry A Tucker	1			1	1
33	William B Tucker		1			1
34	Andrew J Tucker		1		1	
35	George W Bankhead	1		2		
36	R W Bankhead		1	-	1	
37	Wm C Bankhead		1			
38	John Decker		1		1	
39	Henry Lee	1		6	1	
40	William Richey	1			1	
41	Thomas Rattan	1		4	1	
42	James McCam		1		1	
43	William S Rattan		1		1	
44	Samuel B Lennox	1		5	1	
45	Robert Wilburn	1			1	
46	Edward Wilburn		1		1	
47	Hillyard Jackett	1			1	
48	John Hooper	1			1	
49	Jonathan Hooper		1		1	
50	James M Heathers	1		2	1	
51	Elisha Smith	1		2	1	
52	Samuel Haydon	1		3	1	
53	Rhoda King	1		7	1	
54	William Smith	1		2	1	
55	Samuel R Smith		1		1	
56	John N King		1		1	
57	William C King		1		1	
58	Henry B Durant	1		5	1	
59	Edward Marsh	1		5	1	
60	William Russell	1		1	1	
61	William A. Warren	1			1	
62	Lydia Russell	1		2	1	
63	John R Turner		1	—	1	
64	Elias D Turner		1			
		31	5	5	57	

No	Emigrants Names	Head of a family	Single	No of children	Colored	no slaves
		31	33	[illegible]	5	
65	Lewis Russell	1		2	1	
66	Robert Russell	1		2	1	
67	William R Turner	1		1	1	
68	Lalatau Tearey		1		1	
69	Christopher Tearey		1		1	
70	Elija Hulsey	1		9	1	
71	Nathaniel T Hazelton		1		1	
72	Peter Harmonson	1		5	1	
73	Burrell Harmonson		1		1	
74	James P Morrison	1		5	1	
75	Kenneth McKinsey	1		5	1	
76	William A Palmer		1		1	
77	L B Eastcarn	1		4	1	6
78	Thomas M S Sorkin		1		1	
79	B P Doyl		1		1	
80	John B Ward		1		1	
81	Francis Marshall	1		2	1	
82	Madison Maxfield		1		1	
83	Jonkins Maxfield		1		1	
84	Thomas Maxfield		1		1	
85	David Vance		1		1	
86	M S Cotton	1		1	1	
87	William Butler		1		1	
88	Laurence Lewis		1		1	
89	Hugh Lewis		1		1	
90	Jesse Shelton	1		0	1	3
91	James Mc Randolph	1		4	1	3
92	Joshua Neal		1			
93	William Keys		1		1	
94	Joseph M Cook		1		1	
95	Nicholas Archer		1			
96	William Bean	1		4	1	4
97	Elisha Storey		1		1	
98	Isaac Myers	1			1	
99	Levi Horn	1		1	1	
100	Martin McCarty	1		5	1	
101	Joseph M Brown		1		1	
102	Henry Lanyston	1			1	
103	William Freeman	1			1	
104	Page Stanley	1		4	1	
105	Harris Stanley		1			
106	Joseph Stanley		1		1	
		49				

No	Emigrants Names	Heads of families	Single	No of children	Coloured Persons	Slaves
		42	57	105	57	--
107	Jeremiah Stanley		1			
108	William Smith Sr	1		7	1	
109	Francis M Smith		1		1	
110	Thompson Helms	1		3	1	
111	Edwin Rightman	1		2	1	
112	James M Jenkins	1		3	1	
113	James Armstrong		1			
114	Henry Harrison Read	1		1	1	
115	George Joy	1		4	1	
116	James A Joy		1		1	
117	William McCarty Sr	1			1	
118	William McCarty Jr	1		3	1	
119	John Colwell Sr	1		3	1	
120	William Colwell	1		5	1	
121	Elizabeth Wannack	1		6	1	
122	Peter S Benton	1		6	1	
123	Jeremiah A Wilson	1		4	1	
124	John Routh	1		6	1	
125	William Wilbite		1		1	
126	William D Read	1		2	1	
127	Benjamin Thayer	1		4	1	
128	Robert Campbell Matthewson		1			
129	William C Lewis	1		3	1	
130	William Tate		1		1	
131	Squire T Lewis		1		1	
132	Sarah Sans House	1		3	1	
133	Aaron Davis		1		1	
134	Daniel Howell	1		1	1	
135	James L Read		1		1	
136	S P Dick		1			
137	William Lofton	1			1	
138	John R Burrows	1		1	1	
139	Langdon C Searcy	1		1	1	
140	George D Lucas	1			1	
141	Leonard Searcy	1			1	
142	Thomas Searcy		1		1	
143	Franklin Searcy		1		1	
144	William C Brown	1		5		
145	Zachariah Hutchins	1		5	1	
146	Daniel Fowler	1		1	1	
147	Josiah Fowler	1		1	1	
148	John Fowler		1			

№	Surnames & Names	Head of Family	Married	Single	№ of Children	Boarders	№ Slaves
		78	70	203	131		
149	Josiah Fowler	1		5	1		
150	Hogan Mitt		1		1		
151	Joshua Ontell	1		3	1		
152	Frederick W Williams	1		2	1		
153	Crawford Richey	1			1		
154	James Richey		1		1		
155	David Howard	1		5	1		
156	William C Howard		1		1		
157	Mitsall Ficher	1		4	1		
158	J C Hardaway	1		3	1		
159	James Skinner	1		1	1		
160	John Ramsey	1		3	1		
161	Robert Hutcheson	1		4	1		
162	Robert H McDaniel		1		1		
163	Bluford Reeder		1		1		
164	William C Painter	1		4	1		
165	Conrod Travis	1		3	1		
166	William H Travis		1				
167	Abraham Lucas		1		1		
168	Daniel S Franklin	1		2	1		
169	William Green	1		3	1		
170	Thomas S Bradley		1		1		
171	Adam Arants	1		4	1		
172	James L Arants		1				
173	John Ritter	1		6	1		
174	William Ritter		1		1		
175	William Robbins	1		4	1		
176	Solomon R Lucas		1		1		
177	William R Jones		1				
178	John A Miller		1		1		
179	James F Roberts	1		4	1		
180	Roderick L Williams		1		1		
181	Matthew H House		1		1		
182	John Coffman	1		8	1		
183	Ira Blanchard		1		1		
184	Peter Ficher	1		4	1		
185	Andrew Scott		1		1		
186	John Fitzhugh	1		6	1		
187	Hayward S Hanby		1				
188	Francis Wedlock		1				
189	A Hardaway	1		4	1		
190	John Hodges	1		1	1		
		101					

No.	Emigrants Names	Head of Family	Single	No of Children	Colored	Mulatto
		101	89	287	16½	
191	R H Talor		1		1	
192	A D Frode	1		4	1	
193	William J Ramsey		1		1	
194	George N Embree		1		1	
195	William Southward	1		4	1	
196	Ardell Southward	1		2	1	
197	John Southward		1		1	
198	Henry Southward		1			
199	Jamed J Travis	1		1	1	
200	John Jacobs	1		4	1	
201	J P Brown		1			
202	John L Miller		1			
203	Joshua Richardson Jr	1		1	1	
204	Thomas Richardson	1		1		
205	Jonathan Richardson Jr		1			
206	Jonathan Richardson Sr	1		6	1	
207	Joshua Richardson Jr	1		6		
208	Lewis Richardson	1		5		
209	John Richardson Jr		1			
210	John Richardson Jr	1		6		
211	William P. Jacobs		1			
212	Hiram Bennett	1		7	1	
213	James M Bennett	1		2	1	
214	Delila C Manning	1		3		
215	William H Bennett	1		1	1	
216	Robert Stubblefield		1			
217	Jonathan Pringle		1		1	
218	Denton Darby Sr	1		2	1	2
219	Denton Darby Jr		1			
220	Nathan Darby		1		1	
221	Joseph Dixon	1		1	1	
222	Phillemon Higgens	1		4	1	
223	Marshall Ramsower		1			
224	William Harris		1			
225	James Byrd	1		6	1	
226	Harrison C March	1		5	1	
227	L B Hebert	1		2	1	
228	Charles Hebert		1		1	
229	Joseph Jackson		1			
230	Rufus Anderson		1		1	
231	Laney Wilcox	1		2	1	
232	John Peters		1		1	

No	Emigrants Names	Head of a Family	Single	No of Children	Cabins	Upstairs
		123	126	334	97	
233	Moses Hasher	1		3	1	
234	John Reece		1		1	
235	Simmons Medlock	1		6	1	
236	Elizabeth Straley	1		2	1	
237	Richard Bruton		1		1	
238	Isaac Edwards	1			1	
239	Absolom C Russell	1		2	1	
240	Joshua Hodges	1		4	1	
241	Peter Lair	1		4	1	
242	Thomas Lake	1		8	1	
243	James H Lake		1		1	
244	James Clevenger	1		4	1	
245	Braxton Clevenger		1		1	
246	Alexander Sorrells	1		1	1	
247	Robert Chowning	1		4	1	
248	Peter Bachus	1		1	1	
249	Richard Chowning		1		1	
250	Benjamin Bachus		1		1	
251	Samuel Young	1		1	1	
252	Mc le Clevenger	1		3	1	
253	Reuben Clevenger	1		2	1	
254	James B Edwards		1		1	
255	David May	1			1	
256	John Cox		1		1	
257	Isaac Cox		1			
258	Charles Baker	1			1	
259	James Green	1			1	
260	Samuel Hall		1		1	
261	James Aaron		1		1	
262	William Aaron		1		1	
263	Henry Tucker	1		8	1	
264	Malachi Tucker		1		1	
265	Uzel Baggett	1		6	1	
266	George H Hunter	1		2	1	
267	I B Ray		1		1	
268	Edward Allison		1		1	
269	Edward Fayette Clevenger		1	—	1	
270	Harvey Marley		1			
271	Mathew I Owen		1	—	1	
272	Ashford Jackson		1			
273	Morgan Hood	1		2	1	
274	Alexander Hood		1	—	1	
275	Thomas M Hood		1			
		123	126	334	97	

No.	Name	Head of Family	Single	No. of Children	Boarders	No. of Stanza
		145	130	430	237	
276	Simeon Merriam	1		4	1	
277	William M Merrill	1		3	1	1
278	Henry Babcock		1		1	
279	William Mooneyham	1		4	1	
280	Oliver Lewis	1		5	1	
281	A G Miller	1		3	1	
282	Eli Littlejohn	1		9	1	
283	Eli Merrifield		1		1	
284	Thomas J Minier		1			
285	David Merrill	1		8	1	
286	William M Merrill		1		1	
287	Adolphus M J Merrill		1			
288	Eli Merrill Jr		1		1	
289	James Lincoln	1		8	1	
290	Levi Leighton	1		6	1	
291	Solon Lane	1		5	1	
292	Lewis Hall	1		3	1	
293	Reuben Allen	1		9	1	
294	William Platt		1		1	
295	William Allen		1			
296	William Lovejoy		1		1	
297	Archibald Hammond	1			1	
298	A B Harwood	1		2	1	
299	Leo M Harding	1		5	1	
300	Loren B Thomas	1			1	
301	Alexander Harwood		1		1	
302	Henry Middlebrook	1			1	
303	Thomas Hodgkinson	1		4	1	
305	Allen Bledsoe		1			
306	James Huntington		1			
307	Levi Bledsoe		1			
308	Solon Bartram		1			
309	William Lane	1		5	1	
310	Daniel McCormack	1			1	
311	Simon McCormack	1			1	
312	Joseph W Ferguson	1			1	
313	Solomon Dixon	1			1	
314	Stephen McCormick		1		1	
315	Lorin McCormack		1			
316	William R Lane		1		1	
317	Samuel Abraham		1		1	
318	E Hall	1		2	1	
		16	148	61	2	

Nos.	Noms et Prénoms	Chefs de famille	Femmes	Garçons	Nombre de Filles	Enfants	Nombre de Servants
		163	169	575	364		
319	Thomas McKearney		1		1		
320	Mc Donald Edm	—	1		1		
321	Mc Kearney		1		1		
322	Denis Gaston		1		1		
323	Thomas Mc Cain		1		1		
324	Denis Kenny		1		1		
325	Denis Hand	1		3	1		
326	Thomas Fitz		1				
327	Wm Lowe	1			1		
328	Abraham Hunt		1				
329	Edward Bazette		1		1		
330	Henry Hard	1			1		
331	Bernard Kenny	1			1		
332	Thomas McClain		1		1		
333	Eli Brazier	1		5	1		
334	Thomas Mc Brazier		1	—	1		
335	Hugh Brazier		1				
336	Edward Brazier	1		4	1		
337	John O'Brazier		1				
338	John Clark	1		2	1		
339	James M. Perrin. Jr.	1		2	1	3	
340	William Chardner		1		1		
341	James Mc Mooneyham	1		1	1		
342	Lewis Moore	1			1		
343	John Mc Warwick	1		2	1		
344	Fayette Ericworth	1			1		
345	Middleton Perry		1		1		
346	Lewis Green		1		1		
347	John Hobbs		1		1		
348	Mary Kennedy	1		2	1		
349	James Kennedy	—	1		1		
350	Warren Hall	1		3	1		
351	James Hall		1		1		
352	Albert Moore	1		3	1		
353	Joseph Lee	1			1		
354	Eli Fagg		1		1		
355	William Mc Clure		1		1		
356	Robert Williams	1		1	1		
357	Benjamin Williams		1		1		
358	William Williams	1		2	1		
359	Lewis Elam	1			1		
360	James Hand		1				
		185	177	344	364		

No.	Surname & Christian	Head of family	Single	Children	Lodgers	Slaves
		188	141	596	335	
361	Francis Thomas		1		1	
362	Ann E Mabry		1		1	
363	Thomas Nelson	1		3	1	
364	Arthur Kerrigan	0		1	1	
365	Eli M Pitt		1		1	
366	Isaac W Person		1		1	
367	Allen B Davis	1		2	1	
368	Isaac Potter		1			
369	Thomas Herndon	1		3	1	2
370	William C Overton		1		1	
371	Aaron Overton	1		2	1	
372	Caswell C Overton		1		1	
373	Asa McDaniel		1		1	
374	William Hoggard		1		1	
375	Thomas Crocker	1		5	1	
376	William Fletcher Sr		1		1	
377	William F Fletcher Jr		1		1	
378	William H Ford	1		3	1	
379	Thomas H Nelson		1			
380	Benjamin Keefer		1		1	
381	Cyrus Fletcher		1			
382	D R Cannon	1		6	1	1
383	James Hoggard	1		4	1	
384	William C White		1		1	
385	Jacob Nelson	1			1	
386	S B Nelson		1		1	
387	Jackson Nelson	1		3	1	
388	William M Robinson		1			
389	Carlos Nix	1			1	
390	John McMann	1		3	1	
391	David L Hall	1		2	1	
392	John Rice	1		2	1	
393	David Patterson		1			
394	Isaac Ellen		1		1	
395	Patrick Leonard		1			
396	John R Bellingsley	1		6	1	
397	William C Bellingsley	1		3	1	
398	William Fulton		1			
399	John S Patton		1			
400	James C Patton	1		0		
		206	193	596	335	

Enumeration Dr.

The above and foregoing list contains a true copy of the names of persons who have signed a certificate for each person which certificate is now on file in the State Department.

Witness my Hand

at Augusta this 1st day of May 1835

No	Names of Emigrants	Heads of families	Females	Single males	Children	Slaves
		204	193	596	335	
401	Benjamin A Magruder	1		4	1	
402	Edmund M Adams		1		1	
403	Zachariah Coker	1		4	1	
404	Richard Cleveland	1		2	1	3
405	Edmund Whitfield		1		1	
406	Peter Otis		1		1	
407	Mrs Barnes		1		1	
408	Willis Bledsoe		1		1	
409	Elias E Kennedy		1			
410	William Jones	1			1	
411	George Carter		1			
412	Joseph L Wilson	1				
413	Lewis Ferguson		1			
414	James A Roberts		1			
415	John Roberts		1			
416	John Smith		1		1	
417	Mrs Carter		1		1	
418	Gabriel Fitzhugh	1			1	
419	D M Richardson		1		1	
420	Silas Sims		1		1	
421	Ephraim L Crane		1		1	
422	Anthony Bates		1		1	
423	Riley Copeland		1		1	
424	Benton Call		1		1	
425	Henry Lester		1		1	
426	Stephen D Brown		1		1	
427	Williams Thornton		1		1	
428	Hiram E Hays		1		1	
429	Mrs Hutchinson		1			
430	James Hammers	1		3	1	
431	Catharine Rumble	1			1	
432	Young E Brown	1			1	
433	Philip Rumble		1		1	
					34	1

No	Names of Emigrants	Heads of families	Single men	Children	Colonists	Slaves
		215	214	609	361	
434	Crawford Preece		1		1	
435	Roderick Rawlins	1			1	
436	Benj[n] Cox	1			1	
437	Vinson Steel	1			1	
438	Valentine Hampton	1			1	
439	Pleasant Taylor	1				
440	Samuel Keller	1				
441	Robert A Lemman		1			
442	Joseph Ledley		1			
443	William Cox		1		1	
		221	221	609	364	

The names opposite the numbers from 400 to 443 are the names of Emigrants returned for the year ending July 1st 1845, who have not signed a certificate

Washington Texas
August 1st A.D. 1845.

City of Austin
Republic of Texas July 5th 1845

To His Excellency
Anson Jones
President. &c &c

The undersigned President of the Convention assembled at this place in accordance with the recommendation of Your Excellency, in your Proclamation bearing date May 5th 1845, by order of said Convention has the honor herewith to transmit, a duly certified copy of an Ordinance, adopted by the Convention on yesterday, July 4th 1845, with the request that Your Excellency cause to be transmitted to His Excellency, the President of the United States of America, a properly authenticated copy of the same. - I have the honor to be,

With high respect,
Your Excellency's Obedient Servants

Tho J Rusk

The Constitution

Whereas, The Congress of the United States of America has never manifested sincerity in the various propositions & Resolutions which were from time to time submitted by the Executive of the United States on the first day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty five; And whereas the President of the United States has certain Resolutions & propositions duly submitted to him by the Congress of the Republic of Texas, which were passed by the Congress of said Republic on the 19th day of June one thousand eight hundred and forty five, and submitted to the President of the United States for his consideration, which propositions & Resolutions are in the following words & figures to wit:

Joint Resolution

For Annexing Texas to the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Congress doth consent that the Territory properly included within and rightfully belonging to the Republic of Texas may be erected into a new State, to be called the State of Texas, with a republican form of Government to be adopted by the people of said Republic, by Deputies in Convention assembled, with the consent of the existing Government, in order that the same may be admitted as one of the States of this Union.

2nd And be it further Resolved, That the foregoing consent of Congress is given upon the following conditions, and with the following guarantees, to wit:

First. Said State to be formed subject to the adjustment by this Government of all questions of boundary that may arise with other Governments, and the Constitution thereof with the proper evidence of its adoption by the people of said Republic of Texas, shall be transmitted to the President of the United States to be laid before Congress for its final action, on or before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty six

Second. Said State, when admitted into the Union, after ceding to the United States all public edifices, fortifications, barracks, ports and harbors, navy and navy-yards, docks, magazines, arms and armaments, and all other property and means pertaining to the public defence belonging to the said Republic of Texas, shall retain all the public funds, debts, taxes and dues of every kind which may belong to or be due and owing to the said Republic; and shall also retain all the vacant and unappropriated lands

lying within its limits, to be applied to the payment of the debts and liabilities of said Republic of Texas, and the residue of said lands, after discharging said debts and liabilities, to be disposed of as said State may direct - but in no event are said debts and liabilities to become a charge upon the Government of the United States.

Third. New States of convenient size not exceeding four in number, in addition to the said State of Texas, and having sufficient population, may hereafter, by the consent of said State, be formed out of the Territory thereof, which shall be entitled to admission under the provisions of the Federal Constitution. And such States as may be formed out of that portion of said Territory lying South of thirty six degrees thirty minutes north latitude, commonly known as the Missouri compromise line, shall be admitted into the Union, with or without slavery, as the people of each State asking admission may desire, and in such State or States as shall be formed out of said Territory north of said Missouri Compromise line, slavery or involuntary servitude (except for crime) shall be prohibited

Now, in order to manifest the assent of the people of this Republic, as required in the above recited portions of the said Resolutions: -

We, the Deputies of the people of Texas in Convention assembled, in their name and by their authority, do ordain and declare, that we assent to and accept the proposals, conditions and guarantees contained in the first and second sections of the Resolution of the Congress of the United States aforesaid

Thos J Rusk
President

Phil M Lacy
A G Runnels
Robert M Forbes
Sam Rusk
Ano Caldwell
José Antonio Navarro
Geo W Brown
Gustavus A Everts
Samuel Dale Evans
A B Miller

R E B Baylor
A S Mayfield
R Barker
James Love
Wm P Hunter
Lorenzo D Anderson
Isaac Parker
P C Lumpkin
Francis Moore Jr
Isaac W Burton

Alexander McGowan
Isaac Van Zandt
J Rolland
Edward Clarke
Geo W Smyth
James Armstrong
Francis M White
James Davis
George J Wood
J W Wright
A R Latimer
John M Lewis
James Scott
Archibald McNeill
A C Horton
Bernet Standefer
Sol L Mogg.
Chas J Taylor

David Gage
Henry S Lubbock
Garrett Armstrong
James Power
Albert H Latimer
Mark Young
J Pinckney Henderson
Nicholas H Darnell
Emily Ruins
J W O Rucks
Jamie M Burrough
H L Kinney
William Logwood
A G Cunningham
Abner S Lipscomb
John Hemphill
Van R Irion.

July 4th 1845

Attest

Jack Raymond.
Secretary of the Convention

City of Austin
Republic of Texas July 5th 1845

I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of an Ordinance as adopted and signed by the members of the Convention on yesterday / July 4th 1845

Jack Raymond
Secretary of the Convention

Convention Room
City of Austin Republic of Texas
July 7th 1845

His Excellency
Anson Jones
President of Texas
&c &c &c

Sir,

By order of the Convention, I have the honor herewith to transmit to your Excellency the enclosed copy of a Resolution, adopted by the Honorable Convention this day.

I have the honor To be,
Very respectfully
Your Excellency's
Very obedient servant

Jas H Raymond
Secretary of the Convention

Resolution

Relative to the introduction of the united States forces into Texas.

Be it resolved by the Deputies of the people in Convention assembled, That the President of the United States of America is hereby authorized and requested to occupy and establish posts, without delay, upon the frontier and exposed positions of this Republic, and to introduce for such purpose, and the defence of the Territory and people of Texas, such forces as may be necessary and advisable for the same. And the President of the Convention is requested to make known the same to the Government of the United States through the accredited minister of that Government near this Republic.

Adopted in Convention, at the City of Austin Republic of Texas, July 7th 1845.

Tho J Rusk
President

Attest
Jas H Raymond
Secretary of the Convention

Nacogdoches County Texas July 14/45

To His Excellency

Anson Jones

President of the Republic of Texas

Honored Sir,

In making the appeal borne To your by Charles E Taliaferro, I am, To some extent, ignorant of the means vested in your power To render me the relief which my petition may claim at your hands. I removed To this county four years next August. Have remained a peaceable citizen, rendering all the just demands To my country and Republic of which I claim To be a resident.

I have been assailed illegally. My property Taken from me. Stolen at the hour of midnight. by lawless and robbers. Still farther Threats to steal my property by the citizens of Shelby County of this Republic hired men, who act their deeds of darkness for pay. My house is a garrison, in a land at peace, now with all the world. To protect it from my own countrymen. whom I never saw or ever injured in my life.

My farther is a cripple I have no brother. No one To rely on for protection. The laws are remarkable slow To act unless one have their pocket books full of money, of which I am wonderfully deficient.

My property is Taken, or pretended To be Taken, To satisfy debts that I had no agency in contracting nor am responsible for. Any relief which you can afford me, either in this Republic, or in regaining my property to This County, where the deeds were committed, will be most Thankfully received - Even a few Militia for the protection of a citizen who is willing and intends to abide the laws of This country. one who have ever adhered to them to the letter of the law. Not only my property, but the lives of my friends are threatened each one that renders me the least service. I am compelled at times To call on them for the purpose of aiding me in my defence.

I refer you To Mr Charles E Taliaferro and General Thomas Rusk for the particulars of my right. The papers sent will show how long I have had the property in my possession.

Those who were the actors in stealing my

property are good at keeping, for an increase have they ever
invited to obtain possession. The remedies are here
their refuge until a short time since they made the at-
tempt to escape by the way of New Orleans, each was then
arrested and await the issue which many dreams are fa-
vored, or may avoid myself of.

I have been advised to make this affida-
to show by your warrant for and against here used,
hereby, believing that whatever measure will in your
power for the relief of an unfortunate female will be
rendered.

I most respectfully submit my petition

Mary C.A. Bartlett

The Republic of Texas }
County of Nacogdoches } To the Honorable

Anson Jones, President of the Republic of Texas, the
Memorial of Mary C.A. Bartlett, respectfully shew-
eth, That she was the legal and rightful owner and
possessed of the following slaves, to wit: Gaus, King,
Washington, Abram, Sarah, Julia Ann and Child, Lucy
Martha and Bravid. That on or about the twenty fourth
day of April last (1845) one Richard S. Moore, an ene-
my and colleague with divers other persons, to wit:
Samuel Ewers, John Lemmons, Robert Mays, Dr. Smith
John Henry Norman, persons unknown and armed
themselves came all night to the house and farm of
your memorialist, in her absence, then occupied by
Louis B Saligny, armed with guns, pistols and fire-
Axes and forcibly robbed, stole and took from the pos-
session of said Louis B Saligny, who was acting as the
agent of your memorialist, the aforesaid slaves with
felonious intent, and with intent to deprive of the
same for their own use and gain, together with three guns
to wit: one double barrelled shot gun and single barrelled
shot gun and one rifle the property of said Louis
B Saligny.

Your memorialist would further represent
That due diligence was made to apprehend the said
culprits within the jurisdiction of this Republic, but
unsuccessfully. That said slaves and three immediate-
ly were said slaves to the City of New Orleans in the

State of Louisiana, and there attended to defend [illegible] the cause for their own gain, but were prevented from doing so by the diligent and able services of the agents of your Memorialist.

Your Memorialist would further represent that immediately on the arrest of said Moore and Dixon in the City of New Orleans, they were arrested together with said Moore, under a charge of murder, by the Constables of the Parish of Orleans, and were confined in the Parish Prison of the said City, and from which they cannot be released by the Writ of Habeas Corpus, issued by the Judges of the Supreme Court of this State, in consequence of a want of Jurisdiction in the courts of that State, over crimes committed in this Republic, and their being held in durance for offences committed against the laws of that country, the legal remedies of your memorialist to either prosecute said offenders or have them removed to this Republic have been entirely ineffectual, so that without some adequate and more effectual remedy, than the ordinary process of law, said offenders with all practicability entirely escape from justice, and your memorialist be robbed and deprived of a large amount of property, of the value, at least of four thousand dollars, besides the large amount of money she has already expended in endeavoring to bring said offenders to justice.

And for the purpose of regaining her said property, wherefore your memorialist humbly prays, in view of the premises that your Excellency will interpose in her behalf and make such demand of the proper authorities as may be consistent with the dignity and powers of your Excellency's high office, the comity and laws of nations and existing treaties, for the purpose of having said Moore and Dixon apprehended, safely held, and transmitted with the above stolen property to the proper authorities of this Republic, so that they may be brought to trial in the County of Nacogdoches, where said offence was committed.

All of which with sentiments due your Excellency's high station is respectfully submitted for your consideration &c

C. Mary A. McEntire

The Republic of Texas
County of Nacogdoches } Personally came before

me Charles H Whitaker, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County. Mary C H Shotwell, who after being duly sworn saith under oath that the statements set forth and contained in the foregoing memorial, so far as they are made from her own Knowledge are True, and so far as they are made from the information derived from others she believes them to be True.

Sworn To and subscribed before me This 16th day of July 1845

Mary C H Shotwell

C H Whitaker
Justice of the Peace

Nacogdoches July 15th 1845

To The Honorable Ebenezer Allen
Secretary of State.

This Letter will be handed to you by Colonel Labadie. He will at the same time submit to you a memorial of Mrs Mary C H Shotwell, to His Excellency. The object of which you will understand by reading it. Relying in some degree upon the acquaintance I have had the Honor to form with you, but more upon the knowledge I have of your high reputation as a gentleman, I have taken the liberty to solicit your attention to this application, in behalf of my friends and the violated laws of our country. I am not fully convinced of the correctness of the course taken, not being a diplomatist; but it would seem the party interested has no other means of bringing the offenders to justice, as all legal means have failed to remove them from their Asylum to this country.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Spruce M Baird

Galveston July 29th 1845

To the Honorable Ebr Allen
Secretary of State.

We are honored with your valued favor of 25 inst. enclosing a Treasury warrant, $69.62 on the Customs house here, which amount we collected, and hand you against That the same amount on the enclosed draft on your goodself

With much regard yours respectfully

E Kauffman &
by J Kauffman

Washington Texas,
August 11th 1845

To the Hon
Secretary of State,

Herewith we submit to your consideration, a certificate signed and duly authenticated, showing the number of persons introduced and settled within the limits of the Colony granted to M. Austin and his associates, by an act of Congress of this Republic, bearing date the 4th day of February A.D. 1841, for the year ending July 1st A.D. 1845. The certificate being signed by the emigrants themselves respectively, and witnessed by the undersigned, together with an accompanying copy of the names of the settlers, (some of whom have not signed the certificate) and showing the number of cabins built during said year. - The statement is as follows, To wit:

Number of families introduced 331½
Number of Cabins built 367

All of which is respectfully submitted

Your obedient & Humble Servants

Jno C McCoy
R K Barksdale
} acting as Agents for

To His Excellency Anson Jones, President of the Republic of Texas.

Your Petitioner Thomas E Hennington very respectfully represents unto Your Excellency that he is a man of large family and in very reduced circumstances, and that by his greatest industry and exertion he is barely able to support his family, consisting of his wife and four children. All of said children being females. Your Petitioner would further represent that during the Spring Term 1845 of the District Court of Sabine County he was convicted of permitting gaming in his house, and fined in the sum of one hundred dollars, which he is unable to pay. Your Petitioner would further represent that the circumstances under which he was convicted are set forth in the accompanying affidavit, which was submitted to the Court in mitigation of the fine and which said affidavit is made part of this petition. The premises considered Your Petitioner humbly prays Your Excellency to remit the said fine of one hundred dollars, and as in duty bound he will ever pray &c.

Sabine County May 10th 1845

Thos E Hennington

We the undersigned citizens of Sabine County cheerfully join Mr Hennington in the foregoing petition to the President.

May 10th 1845

Oscar D Hyde
and 35 others

David Kaufman

The Republic of Texas
County of Sabine } Personally appeared in open Court Thomas E Hennington who after being duly sworn according to law, declares and says that Silas Harris and Clinton Mears came to his Grocery in company with John Millers and desired Defendant to give them something to drink, when Silas Harris called for the counter and pulled out a deck of cards and observed, Boys let us play to see who shall treat, when defendant told them that he did not want them to play there, as he

did Keep a House of That Kind, nor did he suffer gaming of any Kind in his House. Harris Then commenced dealing The cards on The counter, whereu deponent again Told him That he must quit it, and Told the deponent That They did not want To play cards but only To look at them. They Then intended That They wanted To play, but had no place To go To as it was in The night, and They could not get any place To play. They Then commenced playing And Blanton Mears commenced loosing directly, and Then he gave deponent Two half dollars and requested deponent To play Them. Deponent promised To play Them off if They would quit playing, as deponent wanted To go Home. He Then sat down and played off The Two half dollars and They Then went off, when deponent closed his house and went home To his family

Thos E Hemmenton

Sworn To and subscribed
in open court This 7th March A D 1845

C. F. Ferris Clk
By W B Frazer Depty.

Bonham Sept 11th 1845

To His Excellency
Mirion Lowes
President of the Republic of Texas

We The undersigned, citizens of Fannin County, having witnessed The Trial between the Republic of Texas and The State "Cary," upon a charge of Murder, and some of us having sat upon The Jury, which fail'd to render a verdict of guilty against the prisoner, feel it due To humanity, under all the circumstances of the case To intercede The clemency of Your Excellency, and recommend The reprieve of the State Cary.

William Davenport
James M Lindsey
William D Kaffenich

W d Todd } Attorneys for
S A Everts } Prisoner
P A Pillans & 105 others

I Thomas C Jean, Clerk of the District Court of Fannin County and Republic of Texas, do hereby certify That Cary, a Negro boy, the property of John M Hodge was convicted, at the September Term of This Court for year 1845, of the crime of murder, and is sentenced To be executed on the first Friday of October next.

Given under my hand & seal of the Court {LS} This 11th day of Sept 1845

Thos C Jean
Clk. Dist. C. F. C.

List of Emigrants who arrived here in the Brig Johann Dethard, Ludering, Master, from Bremen for the German Emigration Company, and who are hereby entered at the Department of State as settlers on the Grant ceeded To Messrs Henry Fisher & B Miller, under date Washington Octr 4th 1843, and Transferred To said company by contract of 24th June 1844, extended by Joint resolutions of the ninth Congress of 27 Janry 1845.

Names	Age Years	Profession	Emigrants	Native Country	Numbers
Victor Bracht	25	Merchant		Nassau	1
George Dreitze	40	Farmer & Baker		id	2
Caroline "	40	"		id	3
Bernhard "	10	"		id	4
Caroline "	7	"		id.	5
Henry "	5	"		id.	6
Margaretta "	3	"		id	7
Wilhelm "	1	"		id	8
W Louis Dreitze	28	Farmer		id	9
Henry Penner	34	id & Farmer		id.	10
Peter Hermann	36	id & Baker		id	11
Jacob Stelger	35	id		id	12
Jac Sohn	29	id & Brickmaker		id	13
Valentin Dreide	34	id		id	14
Adam Pfeil	34	id		id	15
Henri Hennert	53	id		id	16
Louise "	24			id	17
				Carried over	17

Names	Age Years	Profession	Residence	Native Country	Number
		Brought over			17
August Weinert	21	Farmer		Saxony	18
Jac Muller	30	id		id	19
Alex. Tätz	44	id & Farmer		id	20
Fabrina "	38	—		id	21
Fr. Do "	13	—		id	22
August "	11	—		id	23
Bertha "	8	—		id	24
Johanna Tätz	6	—		id	25
Maria "	2	—		id	26
David Buchman	39	Farmer		Hanover	27
Federica "	43	"		id	28
Ernst Tätz	20	Farmer		Saxony	29
A. F. L. Reiche	25	id		Hannover	30
William Hartzman	49	"		id	31
Martha "	52	—		id	32
Adelgunda "	18	—		id	33
Ludw. Tätz	22	Farmer		id	34
Ludw. Herbst	35	Farmer & Baker		Saxony	35
Margaretha "	28	—		id	36
Henri "	2	—		id	37
Maria "	1	—		id	38
Valentin Korn	35	Farmer & Smith		id	39
Casper Herbst	38	id		id	40
Minna "	38	—		id	41
Pauline "	5	—		id	42
Theodor Herbst	18	Farmer		id	43
Leo. Fr. Tölle	48	Farmer & Lawyer		Hannover	44
Helena "	44	—		id.	45
Sophie "	19	—		id	46
Fr. Wilh. "	13	—		id	47
Leo. Fredk "	8	—		id	48
Dorette "	2	—		id	49
August Tölle	18	Farmer		id	50
Gottlieb Tölle	21	id		id	51
Joseph Lang	23	id & Joiner		Saxony	52
Wilhelm Wiedenfeld	54	id		Hannover	53
Henriette "	45			id	54
Francisca "	12			id	55
Theodore Wiedenfeld	20	Farmer		id	56
Fredk Untermarken	44	id		id	57
Catharina "	57	"		id	58

Names	Age. Years	Profession	Con fession	Native Country	Number
				brought over	58
Aug Obermeyhlen	21	farmer		Hannover	59
Louis Wendroehn	26	id		id	60
Carl Metz	30	farmer		Nassau	61
Marie "	32	—		id	62
Caroline "	9	—		id	63
Georg "	7	—		id	64
Elisa "	4	—		id	65
Heinrich "	1	—		id	66
Henri Schelper	33	farmer		Hanover	67
Johanna "	31	—		id	68
Laura	7	—		id	69
Henri	1	—		id	70
Carl Schlosser	21	farmer		id	71
P A Schaaf	33	id		Nassau	72
Cathar.e "	28	—		id	73
Johanna "	4	—		id	74
Wilhelmine "	2	—		id	75
P A Metz	28	farmer		id	76
Maria Metz	40	—		id	77
Christine Groos	17	—		id	78
Carl Groos	14	—		id	79
Mathias Groos	12	—		id	80
Henry L Sies	34	farmer		id	81
Johanna "	28	—		id	82
Maria "	2	—		id	83
John Bickel	44	farmer		id	84
Caroline "	43	—		id	85
Johann Salzinger	44	farmer & Lawyer		id	86
Ann "	46	—		id	87
Catharina "	12	—		id	88
Joh.n Gallf.d "	8	—		id	89
Maria "	4	—		id	90
Joh.n Geo. Salzinger	20	farmer		id	91
Conrad Meissner	27	farmer		Bavaria	92
Baltasar Mark	23	Joiner & Cabinet		id	93
C Van der Vecht	30	id		Hannover	94
Edw.d Hoffmann	32	id		Bavaria	95
Edw. Carl Brautigam	34	id		id	96
Christoph Thangenberg	37	farmer		Hannover	97
Elisabetha "	37	—		id	98
Julia "	12	—		id	99
Heinrich "	10	—		id	100
				Carried over	100

Names	Age Years	Profession	Sex Female	Native Country	Number
				brought over	100
Sophia "	6	—		Hannover	101
Hermann "	3	—		id	102
Ludwig Voigts	40	farmer		id	103
Elizabeth "	38	—		id	104
Wilhelm "	13	—		id	105
Sophia "	9	—		id	106
Valentine Steinemann	46	farmer		Prussia	107
Catharina "	42	—		id	108
Catharina "	11	—		id	109
Martin "	8	—		id	110
Marcus "	3	—		id	111
Julius Boze	25	farmer		id	112
B Dreyer	30	"		"	113
Wilhelm Riegler	30	" & Baker		"	114
Wilhelm Brentze	30	" & joiner		"	115
		Total number of Emigrants			115

Amongst the above number of Emigrants are twenty families and Single men above the age of Seventeen - Thirty two -
Together fifty Two.

Galveston the 24th of June 1845

D Kleiner
Agent for the German Emigration Company.

Custom House Galveston
9th July 1845

I James H Cocke Collector of Customs for the Port of Galveston do hereby certify that the foregoing is a True list of the Emigrants arrived per Brig Dekkard as exhibited on oath by the Master of said Vessel.

Jas H Cocke
Coll.

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List of Emigrants who arrived here in the Brig Ferdinand, Hagedorn Master from Bremen for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the Department of State as settlers on the Grant acceded to Messrs Henry F Fischer & B Miller under date Washington Octob 4th 1844 and transferred to said Company by Contract of 24th June 1844 Exstended by joint resolutions of the ninth Congress of 29th January 1845.

Names	Age years	Profession	Con fessions	Native Country	Numbers
Wm Wessel	21	farmer		Hanover	1
H Hein	25	id		id	2
Johs Behring	35	id		id	3
Dud Hannachin	25	id		id	4
Johs Heinrichs	23	id		id	5
Fr Kaufmann	28	id		id	6
Joh. Georg Schneekamp	27	id		id	7
Dedr Schneekamp	21	id		id	8
Gerh D Block	22	id		id	9
Johs Altmann	29	id		id	10
Johs Henr Altmann	26	id		id	11
Total number of Emigrants					11

Eight men

Galveston The 24th June 1845

L. A. Klauer
Agent for the German Emigration
Company.

Custom House District of
Galveston 31st July 1845

I, James H Cooke Collector of Customs for the aforesaid District do hereby certify that the foregoing is a True list of the Emigrants per Brig Ferdinand as exhibited on oath by the master of said Vessel

Jas H Cooke
Coll.

Examined, this 24th 1854

Chas. Oke

Sir, The package containing the Naturalization of the State of Texas, and your letter accompanying original Certificate, Nov 15th came to hand a few days ago, and the Certificates were forwarded, agreeable to your request, on this day, via the mail for the United States.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

Chas Oke
Dpt. Secy
State

Chas. Oke Esqr.
Acting Secy of State.

List of Persons entered per Brig Weser, under the Colonization Contract of Henry F Fisher and Burchard Miller.

Name	Trade	Age	Whether Single or Married	Where from	Number, names & age of the children	Number of Labors or Acres
F Radensleben	Farmer	30 years	Single	Holzminden		160 acres
Bernard Bahnmerth	Shoemaker	34 "	Family	Münster	6 persons: Bruno, wife, mother under 2 children Rosalia, 8 years & Chalotta, 9 weeks	320 "
Heinrich Meinmann	Glazier	34 "	do	"	6 persons: Mein, wife & 4 children under 16, 15 years Louise, 9 y, Lisetta, 5 y, with, 1 y.	320 "
Klein Volkmann	Shoemaker	22 "	Single	Canel		160 "
Adam Stang	Farmer	21 "	do	"		160 "
Balthasar Meisner	Machinist	44 "	Family	Cassel	4 persons; man, wife & 2 children, Barbara 16 yrs. Johann Adam, 9 y	320 "
Heinrich Kiel	Locksmith	31 "	Single	Münster		160 "
Johannes Arnold	Machinist	27 "	do	Hessen		160 "
Thomas Schmale	do	26 "	do	"		160 "
Johannes Schneider	Farmer	23 "	do	"		160 "
Valtin Frey	do	31 "	do	"		160
Peter Raab	do	50 "	do	"		160
Georg Hull	do	25 "	do	"		160
Johann Fischer	do	21 "	do	Hol		160

Name	Trade	Age	Whether families or Single men	Where from	Number, names & age of the children	Land to what they are entitled
Johann D. Schutenmeier	Farmer	46 years	Family	Saxe Gotha	6 persons; man, wife, 4 children – 2 sons, 12 years, 1 Liesbeth, 6 y., Wilhelm, 2 y. Johanna, 8 weeks	320 acres
Sebastian A. B. Mosher	do	38 "	do	"	3 persons; man, wife & child, Sundertha, 8 years	320 "
Adam Bartel	do	57 "	do	Muhlhausen	5 persons; man, wife, & 3 children; Christian, 23 years, Anna, Mary Anita, 19 y., Conrad, 15 years	320 "
Conrad Kaufhold	do	28 "	Single	Dodorf		160 "
C. Adam Bartel	do	22 "	do	Muhlhausen		160 "
Conrad Richardt	do	32 "	Family	"	3 persons; man, wife & child; Margaretha 2 years	320 "
Conrad Meyer	do	43 "	do	Hanover	6 persons – Man, wife & children – Wilhelm, 14 years, Hermann 12 years, Ludewig, 3 y. Christian, 3 years	320 "
Friedrich Meyer	do	32 "	Single	"		160 "
Bernhard Buchinger	Miller	20 "	do	Bavaria		160 "
H. Dickmann	Farmer	31 "	"	Prussia		160 "
Heinrich Wolle	do	37 "	Family	Waldeck	4 persons; man, wife & children – Lucia 10 years, Anna Maria 3 y.	320 "
Michael Steinmetz	Sayler	22 "	Single	Wirtemburg		160 "
John Leb. Rüther	Farmer	24 "	do	Lippstadt		160 "
Hermann H. Buhmann	do	21 "	do	Dahenhausen		160 "
Wilhelm Meyer	do	26 "	do	Hanover		160 "
Heinrich Hake	do	44 "	Family – but wife & children to follow	Waldeck		160 "
Conrad L. Lorenzer	Shoemaker	24 "	Single	Bremen		160 "
Carl Schilling	Farmer	30 "	Family	Damenreck	5 persons: man wife, mother & 2 children – Hermann, 14 y & 1 infant	320 "
W. J. Schlingmann	do	39 "	Single	Lippe		160 "
Henry Bruns	do	31 "	do	Rothenmal		160 "
Andrew Heinemann	Carpenter	36 "	Family	Bavaria	4 persons: man, wife & 2 children – Maria Regina, 5 years, Dorothy	320 "
Ferdinand Hart	Doctor	25 "	Single	"		160 "
Ernst Ebeling	Miller	35 "	do	Elze		160 "
A. A. Reed	Farmer	39 "	do	Prussia		160 "
Bernhard	do	32 "	do	Frankenwalde		160 "
Joseph Dahlhaus	Mason	43 "	Family – but wife & children to follow	Braunschweig		160 "
Heinrich Groth	Shoemaker	19 "	Single	Bleeken		160 "
Johannes Hall	Farmer	49 "	do	Schaumburg		160 "
Christian Wallbrecht	Doctor of medicine	44 "	Wife and children to follow	Rodenberg		160 "
Andreas Eikel	Machinist	26 "	Single	Prussia		160 "

11 families
33 single } in all 44.

Hermann 8th July 1844

Rev. Henry G. Fisher
Burchard Meier

État des Colons embarqués sur le Brig Abordeur Capne Malling, allant à Galveston. Les dits Colons destinés à — occuper la Concession de Mr de Castro dans le Comté de St Antonio de Bexar au Texas.

Numéros	Noms	Prénoms	Domiciles		Professions	Mariés	Femmes	Âges	Remarques	
1	Volk	Fred.c	Freisleben	Grand Duché	Cultr.	1		119		
	sa femme	Marie	"	"	"		1	39		
	Enfants	Rosine	"	"	"		1	17		
	"	Christine	"	"	"		1	14		7
	"	Salomé	"	"	"		1	5		
	"	Madeleine	"	"	"		1	3½		
	"	Andreas	"	"	"	1		3 mois		
2	Volk	Georges	"	"	"	1		19		1
3	Bauer	Jacq.	Mannsperkhofen	"	"	1		68		
	sa fille	Madeleine	"	"			1	36		4
	"	Salomé	"	"			1	34		
	fille de Madel.	Caroline	"	"			1	3½		
4	Bauer	Jacq.	"	"		1		38		
	Bauer	Fred.	"	"		1		33		2
5	Tiebers	Jean	"	"		1		31		
	sa femme	Marianne					1	36		
		Anne Marie					1	6		5
		Jean Georg				1		4		
		Jean Marie					1	9 mois		
6	Kersting	Henry				1		36		
	sa femme	Anne					1	36		
		Norman				1		8		4
		Henry				1		1		
7	Sandschiefer	Jn Henry				1		35		
	sa femme	Marie					1	30		2
8	Fauche	Bte Joseph				1		47		
	sa femme	Elisabeth					1	44		
		Marie					1	8		5
		Anne Marguerite					1	5		
		Jn Jacques				1		11		
9	Schneider	Jn Henry				1		44		
	sa femme	Marie Catharine					1	42		2
		Henry				1		8		
		Marie Cath.					1	5		3
		Jean Pierre					1	1		
10	Raby	Lucas	Paris		Coiffeur	1		32		1

Num.s	Noms	Prenoms	Domicile		Sexe	Mariés	Mariées	Enfants	
11	Guerin	Jn Edmond	Mantes	Seine et Oise	Hegl	1		28	
	la femme	Jane Cristle	Border	Angleterre	"		1	23	2
12	Lecuyer	Camille	do	do	tenturier		1	52	
13	veuve Lecuyer	Emplaté Cherles	do	do	"	1		20	2
14	Bonnekhaff	Henrich	Westphalie			1		39	
	la femme	Gertrude					1	29	
		Bernard				1		8	
		Gerhard				1		6	
		Theodor				1		3 m	8
		Henry				1		69	
		Anna					1	65	
	Meunier	La Renee					1	37	
15	Bohnenkamp	Jn Henry	do		Cultr	1		45	
		Marie Cath					1	50	2
16	Henning	Jn Gerard	do		Cultr	1		27	
		Anna Cath					1	23	3
		Guillaume				1		1	
17	Henning	Bernd	do		Cultr	1		57	
	la femme	Anna					1	49	
		Annaelise					1	22	4
		Bern Hy				1		5	
18	Ufkes	Jn Bernd	do		Cultr	1		26	1
19	Wehning	Theodore	"		"	1		29	
	la femme	Elizabeth					1	22	2
20	Henning	Henry	do			1		40	
	la femme	Anna					1	42	3
		Bernard				1		1	
21	Brucks	Jn Bo	Westphalie		Cultr	1		49	
		Hedwige	"				1	45	
		Gertrude	"				1	11	
		Jn Bernd	"			1		5	6
		Henry	"			1		7	
		Elizabeth	"				1	7	
22	Dickens	B Henry	do			1		35	1
23	Jordes	Jn Henry	"			1		36	
		Anna	"				1	32	
		Hermann	"			1		3	4
		Maria	"				1	9	
24	Bruggeman	Bernd	do		Cultr marg	1		35	
		Ludovica	"				1	34	
		Bernard						8	7
		Hermann						5	
		Jean Theodor						3	
		Anne Balthazar						1	

Item	Nom	Prénom	Domicile			Lieues	Myriamètres	Myriamètres	Myriamètres
25	Nelson	Henry	Washington			1		32	1
26	Wendel	Joseph	Bride		Idem	1		34	1
27	Roberts	Jean	Gotmas			1		21	1
28	Autry	Henriette		Les jeunes filles			1	50	3
		Cyrille		Jean Marie			1	25	
		Felicien		Lacroix		1		2	
29	Bouchu		Versailles			1		20	1
						49	29		88

Le Présent Etat arrêté à Quatre vingt huit Myriamètres.
Fait en double à 19 Septembre 1845

Jy. Padro

Fait Double Ce 25 1845

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
of the Republic of Texas.

Sir,

In my last dispatch numbered 30 the original grantee and Chief Agent of the Texas Association "Fisher and Miller" the contract for colonization of the 29th of January 1844 here date at their Arbours the 31st of March 1845.

Eleven Families from Alsace landed here, the Country have each in a journey of Six hundred miles within the Republic by way of Galveston and Houston, Since which I have not known the Condition and Situation of the said Families but that Country, have experienced Hardships of their Agent Mr Henry Fisher who left them at Houston in order to get a Conveyance to Bring the Baggage and Carriage Waggons which were under the Wheelock Agency. Mr Chambers himself

[illegible] the [illegible] of the Estate, [illegible] of the Rangers on Channel Coast [illegible] of Hertford.

He then [illegible] that as [illegible] [illegible] of the Society [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

funds, in the hands of the mercantile firm of J C Bundegrees and Co of New Orleans to meet all his future demands. A like advance I had made to Col Wheelock. My journey was much retarded by high waters which I had to swim at the hazard of my life, for I never learnt that and myself and my pony was a recent purchase and heavily burthened with myself and baggage I reached, after being four times lost on the way, the Town of Bonham on the — — — and having closed all my subsidiary accounts there to the satisfaction of the claimants and completed the instructions of my Sub-Agent Doctor David Crockett as well as made provision for the prosecution of the surveys on the East of the River Trinity, and prepared a map of the grant from the recent surveys, I left Bonham on the 4th of June and Texas, by crossing Red River on the 15th of that month.

From Fort Towson I proceeded by way of Washington in Arkansas To Little Rock the capital of that State, thence To Rock Row on White river, and down that river and the Mississippi To New Orleans where I arrived on the day

I was detained there by the fortifications of the Map I herewith transmit, and of the accompanying contracts and Terms of colonization and providing 1000 copies of them a fortnight, during which I enlarged the deposits necessary to meet the drafts of my sub agents.

I next proceeded by way of Louisville and Cincinnati To St Louis and To Alton above the mouth of the Missouri by water, and Taking the Stage at the latter, I traversed the interior of the States of Illinois and Indiana, visiting there capitals and inferior Towns and causing the Terms of colonization to be advertised in eight newspapers of general circulation. At the public houses on the road these Terms were set up in the form of hand bills by the side of their doors throughout this journey. In the course of it I also dispersed copies of the map and contracts before mentioned, and personally conversed with the Editors of the Gazettes, and many new as well as old acquaintances formed during Forty three years service in the Senate of Representatives of the United States, on the subject of these Terms and the circumstances of the Country to which they invited emigration. I particularly sought to gather information and to assure it, in relation to the best practical mode of selling prairies remote from Woodland and in search of Water for Water mills, which I had heard and found to be successfully practiced in Illinois.

I reached Louisville by way of Madison

in Indiana, and there learning that the Texas Emigration and land Company of which I ceased to be a copartner in the preceding autumn had advertised in Europe as well as in the United States an extension to the 1st of July 1846, of the grant of a moiety of each section they proposed to colonize. I conformed my Terms to theirs, announcing, as will be perceived that after that date but 200 acres would be allowed to every Emigrant family. The last quantity exceeds by 40 acres the requirement of the contract of January 1844. and its expediency as the reduction results in part from the obvious necessity of economysing the woodland which to the early emigrant would prove more attractive than the prairies remote from timber for building, fencing and fire, a prejudice it has taken much time to overcome, as I found in Illinois and Indiana, for as to the poor man, it is a prejudice to consider the forest preferable to the prairie. An experienced farmer would rather have a prairie without wood, than wood with no prairie.

From Louisville I ascended the Ohio to the Western counties of Virginia where I had sought the preceding autumn to remove objections to a settlement on Texas. There I renewed these efforts in the large circles of society gathered at the various watering places near the Alleghany.

I arrived at this place, more especially to accomplish two objects; to obtain Mechanics for the new town of Denton, laid off on the East Bank of the Trinity, last at eight; now at 28 miles below the junction of the Rio d'Este or East Fork with the main river Doctor Rowlett having fastened a Bluff there to the one previously contemplated as a site for the commercial emporium of the new colony. My second object was to open the communication between this City & direct intercourse with their native country and to facilitate the embarkation of Emigrants, from among a people distinguished alike for frugality as well as industry and perseverance; and who now emigrate with abundant means of speedily providing the comforts, as well as necessaries of life. For this purpose I am now in daily correspondence with all Land & Emigration Companies, the highly respectable president of the German Emigration Company of this City.

I have already laid all the contracts that I have or any of my agents have made since my last semi-annual report and all that remains for a fulfillment of the conditions of the two contracts, of which furnished copies accompany this report, is to furnish a statement of the expenditure of money and the agents and a list of my present associates which varies by means of recent transfers and some forfeitures from my last

The Total Expenditure, so far as it has been ascertained, and except the sum of 96 dollars due To Mr Patton or his order and not called for it is believed that and is included, amounts with that claim To $5235 41/100 dollars and it appears from careful examination To have arisen under The following Heads, viz:

	Dollars
To Surveying, including The salary of Major Pilcher	288.50
For printing and advertising Terms of Colonization and subscriptions To Texian Newspapers	241.60
Eleven hundred weight of ammunition in Store at Bonham and To carriage from New Orleans	119 35
Postage and Stationary for 20 months	83 54
Commissions To E C Sandenberger & Co and Others and exchange on drafts	61.22
For fee of Counsel for advice at various Times	50 00
For Agency exclusive of five shares of Stock To Doctor Daniel Rowlett East of the County	50 00
For Loan To Each an Emigrant Settled in Florida	40 00
For Interest on advances of money, now exceeding Two Thousand dollars and ~~one Agency~~ 1600 for the twenty months last past	160 00
For a horse and full equipment left for future use with Judge Trimble near Washington Arkansas	65.00
Expended by the Chief Agent in Travelling and all Other personal provision and accomodations including medicines & physicians bills for 20 months	1368.30
Making a Total sum of	5235 41
From which deducting $30.50 received from the association	3050 00
And The payments made since To This date amount To	2185 41

Besides which a sum To meet future drafts remains in New Orleans.

The present members of The Texas association are as follows

Names	Residence	Shares & Cash	Sums Paid	Sums to be paid hereafter
1 Edward G Cabell	Florida	6	600 00	2400
2 Richard I Bullock	do	3	300 00	1200
3 Charles W Dupree	do	3	300 00	1200
4 Benjamin F Whitaker	do	3	150 00	1350
5 Reed A McBride	do	3	"	1500
6 O F Bailey	Georgia	2	200 00	800
5 A & D C W Sowell	Virginia & Florida	1	200	300
10 Thos Brown & James D Archer	Florida	1	100	400
12 Wm R Hayward & D Blandenship	do	1	100	400
14 E Sandenberger & Co Brothers	New Orleans	1	100	400
15 E J Bonnet late of Florida	Virginia	1	100	400
16 A & A Morgan	Florida	1	100	400

Names	Residences	Shares Each	Amount	Sum Paid Thereon
17 Wm O Bevins	Florida	1	100	400
18 Dorin & Evans	do	1	100	400
19 H C Bevins	do	1	100	400
20 Brewer	do	1	1	500
21 J Washington Anderson	Louisville Ky	1	100	400
22 Lunsford P Yandell	do do	1	100	400
23 Francis Griffin	Mississippi	1	200	500
24 James Craig	Louisville Ky	1		500
25 Dr McCormick U.S.A.	of Genl Scotts Staff	1	do	500
26 Dr Daniel Rowell. Sub Agent	Bonham Texas	5	Amount paid to Rowell	
27 C Bellevue, Original grantee	and Actual settler for the four	5455		
28 Dr Geo Ky Runshaw of Ky	Bowling Green Ky	0 5/8	of C Bellevue entry	
7 a share of the grantee stock			Total of 55 shares assigned	
Twenty eight associates	Texas	95	2950	14550

Holding ninety five shares have paid 2950. They owe 550 dollars and have to pay after discharging that debt for the instalments on 35 shares. Five shares remain to be disposed of out of the 40 set apart to defray the expenses of colonization. Four Stockholders have paid nothing yet . . . Two Two the Revd Craig and Doctr McCormick are supposed to have paid each 100$ and for 100 paid by the former as it is supposed credit is given in reporting the sum received to be 3050$ instead of the above 2950$. Messrs Griffin and the Sarnells have paid their second instalment. To the above resources is to be added Twelve of survey charged the Emigrant families. Exploring their number To be now 250 at which it is confidently rated, This resource amounts to 2000$ and is expected to be expended in aid of the remittances for survey and agencies and fees of location.

To stimulate the spirit of improvement the Board is preparing a list of premiums for Agricultural and Horticultural productions as well as home manufactures, and hope ere at no distant period to behold the erection of school houses and places of Christian worship and the clearing out of the obstructions in the navigation of the Brazos River above his grant to the bay of Galveston.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Thos. McKinney
Original Empresario and Chief Agt
of the Texas Association

Jamaica Dec 6th 1845

My Dear Sir,

I Enclose you herewith some despatches which I received a few days since from Galveston. Please Transmit a copy of Mr Marcy's communication to Col Wm G Cooke, Secty of War and Marine.

Mr Allen will, I understand, be at Austin about the commencement of the Session of the Congress.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c

Jno Pinson Mann

To
A C Eldredge, Esq
Actg Secretary of State

List of Emigrants who arrived here per Brig Armenia, Otto, Master, from Bremen for the German Emigration Company, and who are hereby entered at the Department of State of Texas as settlers on the grant ceded to Messrs Henry F Fisher & Burchard Miller under their Contract Com. Cobb 4 1843, Transferred to said Company as per Contract of 24 June 1844, and extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 29 Jany 1845.

Names	Native country	Occupation	Ages	
Chd Von Dommatzi	Germany	Farmer	36 yrs	1
Clemens Middeldorpf	"	"	28 "	2
Julius Fledlzer	"	"	24 "	3
Andreas Hellmer	"	"	23 "	4
Chr Badenwerfer	"	"	23 "	5
Johan Zobel	"	"	34 "	
Lidia "	"		15 "	6
Henry "	"		7 "	
Louise "	"		3 "	
Johan Peter Bode	"		34 "	
Maria "	"		33 "	
Christina Margaretha "			11 m 2	7
Mary "			5 "	
Louis "			3 "	

Namen		Wohnort	Beschäftigung	Alter	
Christian	Brandt	Germany	Farmer	42 Jahre	
Annetta	"	"	—	38 "	
Edward	"	"	—	16 "	8
Hermann	"	"	—	11 "	
Johanna	"	"		8 "	
Amelia	"	"	—	4 "	
Augustus	Reck	"	"	34 "	9
Henry	Mander	"	"	44 "	10
Wilhelmine	Mandel	"	Farmer's Wife	26 "	11
Christian	Reck	"	Farmer	44 "	
Catharina	"	"	—	39 "	
Christian	"	"	—	10 "	12
Julius	"	"	—	7 "	
Henrietta	"	"	—	3 "	
Ferdinand	Reck	"	Farmer	20 "	13
Gustavus	Reck	"	"	17 "	14
Henry	Bitter	"	Farmer's Wife	47 "	
Carolie	"	"	—	36 "	
Franz	"	"	—	13 "	
Henry	"	"	—	11 "	15
Wilhelmine	"	"	—	9 "	
Bredt	"	"	—	6 "	
Caroline	"	"	—	4 "	
Lina	"	"	—	1 "	
Philipp	Bitter	"	Farmer	87 "	16
Johannes	Kreiber	"	Farmer's Brewer	39 "	
Catharine	"	"	—	44 "	
Carl	"	"	—	14 "	17
Franz	"	"	—	12 "	
Lena Maria	"	"	—	7 "	
Jacob	Kreiber	"	"	17 "	18
Carl	Eller	"	"	21 "	19
Wilhelmine	"	"	"	19 "	20
Conrad		"	—	64 "	
John	Braun	"	"	28 "	
Catharine	"	"	—	28 "	21
Fred	"	"		3 "	
Christ	"	"		1 "	
John	Eckert	"	Farmer's Servant	53 "	
Lena	"	"		48 "	22
Margretha		"		15 "	
Peter	"	"		12 "	
Henry	Eckert	"	Farmer	17 "	23

Name	State, County	Occupation	Age	
		Boot mkr	99 years	35
John Adam	Germany	Farmer & Shoemkr	37 years	
Caroline "	"	"	45 "	
Ida "	"	"	12 "	36
Edwards "	"	"	10 "	
Marian "	"	"	7 "	
Edward Hoo	"	Farmer	22 "	37
Herman Adam	"	"	20 "	38
Jacob Durandt	"	Farmer & Farmer	18 "	
Elizabeth "	"	"	40 "	
William "	"	"	11 "	39
Charlotta "	"	"	8 "	
Wilhelmina "	"	"	5 "	
Eko "	"	"	1 "	
Jacob Durandt	"	Farmer	19 "	40
Frederic Durandt	"	"	17 "	41
John Kraft	"	Farmer & Miller	39 "	42
Eko Meyer	"	" & Shoemakr	41 "	
Catharina	"	"	31 "	
Jacob	"	"	11 "	43
William	"	"	9 "	
Louis	"	"	4 "	
Martin Lentz	"	Farmer	30 "	44
Henry Von Rede	"	"	32	
Elizabeth "	"	"	48	45
Barbe Sitter	"	"	17	46
			124 Persons	46

Total Number of Persons 124

Amongst whom are 2 families.

Under Eighteen years of age 25, above Eighteen 17.

Taken this 22 October 1845

J. H. Shumate

Agent for the Enumerators

List of Emigrants who arrived here by Wag Marschal, Lewis Master from Bremen for the Biennial Emigration Company, and who are hereby intended at the State Department of Texas as settlers on the Land called Te. Messrs Henry Fischer and Burchard Miller under date, Washington Octbr 4. 1843, transferred to said Company as Contract of 24 June 1844 and Extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 29 May 1845.

Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
Augustus Schuler	Germany	Farmer	30 years	
Christian "	"	—	21 "	1
Elizabeth "	"	—	50 "	
Elizabeth Bernhardt	"	—	34 "	
Maria "	"	—	6 "	2
John Jacob Krig	"	Farmer	32 "	
Anna Maria "	"	—	32 "	
William "	"		9 "	5
Carl Henry "	"	—	4 "	
Sofie Krig Krieg	"	Farmer	43 "	
Elizabeth "	"	—	38 "	
Augustus "	"	—	14 "	
William "	"	—	11 "	4
Henry "	"	—	8 "	
Fredk "	"	—	4 "	
Lise "	"	—	12 "	
Jac Ohlhelger	"	Farmer & Miller	49 "	
Elizabeth "	"	—	50 "	
Elisabeth "	"		18 "	
Catharine "	"		16 "	5
Henry "	"		12 "	
William "	"	—	8 "	
Augustus "	"		2 "	
Jac Ohlhelger	"	Farmer	24 "	6
Daniel "	"	"	25 "	7
William Gerhardt	"	"	26 "	
Catharina "	"		37 "	
Amalia "	"		7 "	8
Elise Henriette	"	—	2 "	
John Geo Gerhardt	"	"	30 "	9
Christ & Mrichel	"	Farmer & Farmer	26 "	
Elisabeth "	"		40 "	
Louise "	"		18 "	10
Louis "	"		14 "	

Carried Over

Namen	Stellung oder Gewerbe		Alter	
		Brot oder		
Johann Friedrich	Sohn	Farmer	35 Jahre	
Christian "	"	—	25 "	
Caroline "	"	—	10 "	
Wilhelmine "	"	—	8 "	11
Henriette	"	—	6 "	
Louise	"	—	3 "	
Jac. Hamburg	"	Farmer Capitän	51 "	
Anna "	"	—	40 "	
Wilhelm "	"	—	12 "	12
Fred R "	"	—	4 "	
Johann Philipp Mackel	"	Farmer	30 "	
Catharina "	"	—	29 "	
Wilhelm Fr "	"	—	7 "	13
Christine "	"	—	5 "	
Fred R "	"	—	3 "	
Johann Hoffmann	"	Farmer	23 "	14
Johann Joh Hamburg	"	Farmer Gärtner	23 "	
Anna	"	—	24 "	15
Joy Aug Heymann	"	" Thomas	28 "	
Elisabeth "	"	—	41 "	16
Elisabeth "	"	—	2 "	
Johann Hirschhausen	"	Farmer	18 "	
Louise "	"	—	48 "	17
Johann Friedrich C	"	Farmer	37 "	
Anna Cath "	"	—	35 "	18
Johann Georg Mackel	"	—	41 "	
Catharina "	"	—	29 "	
Catharina "	"	—	23 "	
Anna Elise "	"	—	21 "	19
Christoph "	"	—	11 "	
Catharina "	"	—	9 "	
Philipp Mackel	"	Farmer	25 "	20
Georg Mackel	"	—	53 "	
Federica "	"	—	51 "	
Sofia "	"	—	21 "	21
Catharina "	"	—	15 "	
Daniel "	"	—	12 "	
Georg Mackel	"	"	24 "	22
Charles "	"	"	18 "	23
Jacob Heise	"	Gemüsehändler	46 "	
Elisa "	"	—	46 "	
Elise "	"	—	19 "	24
Margaretha "	"	—	18	
Jacob "	"	—	15	

Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
Wellhelmina Fieler	Germany	Farmer	20 Years	25
John Fieler	"	"	24 "	26
Wilhelm Knetsch	"	"	28 "	
Wilhelmine "	"	—	24 "	
Louisa "	"	—	3 "	27
Wilhelmine "	"	—	1 "	
Anna "	"	—	63 "	
John Jos Berns	"	Farmer & Miller	46 "	
Anna Mo.	"	"	48 "	28
Anna Elisab.	"	"	22 "	
John Berns	"		21 "	29
John Jos Imhlich	"	Farmer	26 "	
Catharina "	"	—	23 "	30
William "	"	—	12 "	
John George Metz	"	—	26 "	31
Andreas Lenz	"	Farmer & Carpenter	23 "	
Susanna "	"	—	23 "	32
Elizabeth "	"	—	5 "	
Jacob "	"	—	2 "	
John Jacob Gross	"	Farmer	33 "	
Catharina "	"		23 "	33
John Gross	"	Farmer	34 "	34
John Jacob Theis	"	Farmer & Farmer	38 "	
Margaretha "	"	—	29 "	
Elisa "	"		5 "	35
Anna Schmidt	"	—	50 "	
Catharina "	"		10 "	
John Schmidt	"	Farmer	22 "	36
Lorenz Schmidt	"	"	20 "	37
Louis Schmidt	"	"	18 "	38
Peter Menzler	"	"	60 "	39
Peter Fried	"	"	33 "	
Maria "	"	—	32 "	
Joseph "	"	—	6 "	40
Peter "	"	—	4 "	
John "	"	—	1/2 "	
John Klein			36 "	
Anna Ma "			40 "	
Christian "			15 "	
John & Adam "			12 " Each	41
John Adam "			10 "	
Maria Anna "			8 "	
Helena "			5 "	
Gertrude "	"		2 "	

Farmers

Names	Native County	Occupation	Age	
Peter Eckman	Germany	Ont. over Farmer	32 years	41
Anna Maria "	"	—	22 "	42
Anton Dawn	"	"	53 "	
Catharina "	"	—	58 "	43
Conrad Metz	"	"	55 "	44
Wilhelm Wendt	"	"	21 "	45
Wilhelm Hardenmann	"	"	25 "	46
John Boemer	"	"	25 "	47
Ernst Bene	"	"	33 "	48
John Dawn	"	"	38 "	
Maria "	"	—	35 "	
John "	"	"	10 "	
Adam "	"	—	6 "	49
Maria "	"	"	3 "	
Catharine Eise Meckel	"	—	18	
			138 Persons	49

Total number of Persons . . . 138 —
Amongst whom are 29 families
" Single men, 20, above the age of 17 } — 49
Galveston 22 Octr 1845

F. H. Kluener
Agent for the Company

List of Emigrants who arrived here, per Bark Hercules, Robinson Master from Bremen, for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas, as settlers on the Grant ceded to Messrs Henry & Fisher and Burchard Miller under date Washington Octr 4th 1843, Transferred to said Company as per Contract of 24th June 1844 and Extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 29 Decr 1845

	Names	Native County	Occupation	Age	
1	John Adam Pehl	Germany	Farmer	35 years	
2	Meta "	"	—	32 "	
3	Elizabeth "	"	—	12 "	1
4	Peter "	"	—	9 "	
5	Helena "	"	—	7 "	
				95	1

	Name	Nationality	Occupation, etc.	Age	
	5 Person		Brought over		1
6	Peter Pehl	Germany	Farmer & Miller	34 years	
7	Selina "	"	—	38 "	
8	Adam "	"	—	11 "	2
9	Sofia "	"	—	9 "	
10	Mathias "	"	—	7 "	
11	Johannes "	"	—	1/2 "	
12	Henry Burgdorf	"	Farmer & Shoemaker	19 "	3
13	Christian Cramm	"	Farmer	40 "	
14	Catharina "	"	—	38 "	
15	Johanne "	"	—	15 "	
16	Caroline "	"	—	10 "	4
17	Henry "	"	—	8 "	
18	John "	"	—	3 "	
19	Fredk Becker	"	Farmer	28 "	
20	Louise "	"	—	25 "	5
21	Johanna "	"	—	2 "	
22	Christ Burgdorf	"	"	25 "	
23	Maria "	"	"	22 "	6
24	Martha "	"	"	50 "	
25	Henry Grabe	"	"	42 "	
26	Catharina "	"	—	41 "	
27	Catharina "	"	—	14 "	7
28	Henry "	"	—	9 "	
29	Ferdinand "	"	—	1/2 "	
30	Conrad Grabe	"	"	17 "	8
31	Fry Voyes	"	"	36 "	
32	Meta "	"	—	30 "	
33	Dorothea "	"	—	9 "	9
34	Fry "	"	—	5 "	
35	Fredk "	"	—	3 "	
36	Caroline Dehnes	"	Servant Girl	18 "	
37	Conradine "	"	"	20 "	10
38	Chr Hoffman	"	Farmer	22 "	10
39	Christof Cramm	"	"	33 "	11
40	Henry Rinkel	"	Farmer & Butcher	32 "	
41	Maria "	"	—	39 "	
42	Dorothea "	"	—	10 "	12
43	Sofia "	"	—	10 "	
44	Christian "	"	—	8 "	
45	Fredk Rinkel	"	Farmer	17 "	13
46	Andreas Adolphig	"	Butcher & Farmer	35 "	
47	Louisa "	"	—	30 "	
48	Child "			6	14
49	Boy			2.	
			Carried over		14

	Name	Native Country	Occupation	Age		
		Brot forw				
50	Caroline Mehring	Germany	—	1/2	14	
51	Andreas Pape	"	Weaver & Farmer	25 years		
52	Catharina "	"		30 "		
53	Andreas "	"	—	11 "		
54	Conrad "	"	—	9 "	15	
55	Dorothe "	"	—	3 "		
56	Louise "	"	—	1/2 "		
57	Henry Pape	"	Farmer	37 "		
58	Anna "	"	—	30 "		
59	Mary "	"	—	8 "		
60	Ida "	"	—	6 "	16	
61	Wilhelm "	"	—	3 "		
62	Fredk Loehte	"	Weaver & Farmer	36 "		
63	Catharina "	"		30 "		
64	Fredk "	"		9 "	17	
65	Caroline "	"		6 "		
66	Mary "	"		2 "		
67	Conrad Pape	"	Farmer & Shoemaker	40 "		
68	Maria "	"	—	39 "		
69	Mary "	"	—	15 "		
70	Dorothe "	"	—	12 "	08	
71	Christ "	"	—	10 "		
72	Conrad "	"	—	8 "		
73	Wilhelm "	"	—	2 "		
74	Caroline "	"	—	1/2 "		
75	Mary Hennings	"	Farmer	32 "		
76	Catherina "	"	—	30 "		
77	Dorothe "	"	—	20 "	19	
78	Maria "	"	—	10 "		
79	Henry Hennings	"	Farmer	17 "	20	
80	Henry Henning	"	Farmer & Weaver	35 "		
81	Maria "	"	—	30 "		
82	Sofia "	"	—	16 "	21	
83	Caroline "	"	—	4 "		
84	Henry Barkhaus	"	Farmer & Shomaker	25 "		
85	Alice "	"	—	21 "	22	
86	Henry "	"		1 "		
87	Fredk Pake	"		28 "		
88	Frederica "	"		29 "		
89	Dorothe "	"		6 "	23	
90	Johanna "	"		4 "		
91	Fredk "	"		1/2 "		
		Carried over			23	
91	Persons					

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
		Brought over			
91	Brown				
92	William Thies	Germany	Farmer & Weaver	26 years	
93	Widow Lorenz	"	—	40 "	24
94	Carolina "	"	—	17 "	
95	Sofia "	"	—	13 "	
96	Henry A Meyer	"	—	31 "	25
97	Mary Fredk Knese	"	Farmer	48 "	
98	Maria "	"	—	47 "	26
99	Lucie "	"	—	12 "	
100	Fredk Knese	"	Farmer	24 "	27
101	Louis Knese	"	"	22 "	28
102	Fredk Smith	"	Farmer & Smith	42 "	
103	Louisa "	"	—	40 "	
104	Minna "	"	—	20 "	
105	Caroline "	"	—	6 "	29
106	Ferdinand "	"	—	11 "	
107	Dorette "	"	—	3 "	
108	Fredk Smith	"	"	26 "	30
109	Fredk Winkel	"	Farmer	33 "	
110	Margaretha "	"	—	33 "	
111	Henry "	"	—	9 "	31
112	Williams "	"	—	5 "	
113	Fredk "	"	—	11 "	
114	William Smith	"	Farmer & Smith	14 "	32
115	Leonard Wittneben	"	Farmer	40 "	
116	Anna "	"	—	39 "	
117	Henry "	"	—	16 "	33
118	William "	"	—	10 "	
119	William Muller	"	Farmer & Farmer	25 "	34
120	Fredk Rode	"	Farmer & Shoemaker	25 "	35
121	Henry Haase	"	" "	30 "	36
122	August Winkel	"	" "	35 "	
123	Louise "	"	—	36 "	
124	Henrietta "	"	—	4 "	
125	Ernestine "	"	—	4 "	37
126	Louise "	"	—	5 "	
127	Fredk "	"	—	1 "	
128	Christian Brandes	"	Farmer	28 "	38
129	Louis Schaubode	"	"	34 "	
130	Elise "	"	—	37 "	
131	Ernestine "	"	—	15 "	39
132	Chls. "	"	—	6 "	
132	Persons	Carried over			39

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age.	
132	Persons		Brot Over		39
133	Ehret Helga	Germany	Farmersfrau	40 years	
134	Christiana "	"	—	40 "	
135	Sofia "	"	—	15 "	
136	Lucia "	"	—	13 "	40
137	Henry "	"		5 "	
138	Maimie "	"	—	1 "	
139	Edward Bergauer	"	" Shoemaker	40 "	
140	Anna "	"		42 "	
141	Fredk "	"		16 "	
142	Theodor "	"		12 "	41
143	Dorette "	"		10 "	
144	Wilhiam "	"		5 "	
145	Georg Bergauer	"	Farmer	19 "	42
146	Louis Bergauer	"	"	17 "	43
147	Louis Friedr	"	"	25 "	44
148	Christian Theis	"	"	19 "	45
149	Christian Dammann	"	"	19 "	46
150	Marianna Meyer	"	Servant Girl	28 "	
151	Sophie Sage	"	Do	28 "	
152	Lulu Meyer	"	Do	22 "	
153	Johann Meyer	"	Do	30 "	
154	Widow Pohl	"	Do	38 "	
155	Margaretha "	"	Do	19 "	
156	Joh Louis Meyer	"	Farmer Söhne	32 "	
157	Maria "	"		35 "	
158	Louise "	"		10 "	
159	Amelie "	"		9 "	44
160	Louis "	"		5 "	
161	Eduard "	"		3 "	
162	Wilhiam "	"		1 "	
163	Georg Brauns	"	Farmer	25 "	48
164	Christ. Rohrdanz	"	"	26 "	49
164	Persons				49

Total number of Persons 164

Amongst whom are 28 families

And single men 31 above the age of 17. 49

Cincinnati, March 18th 1854

F. W. Thiemann

Agent for the German Emigration Company

List of Emigrants who arrived here per Bark Strabo, Arg Thorf, Master, from Antwerp for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas as Settlers on the Grant ceded to Messr Henry & Fisher and Burchd Miller under date Washington Octbr 4th 1843, Transferred to said Company, as per Contract of 24th June 1844 and extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 29th Janry 1845.

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
1	John Keller	Germany	Wheelwright & Farmer	30 Years	
2	Catharina "	"	—	30 "	
3	Maria "	"	—	50 "	
4	Helena "	"	—	6 "	1
5	Anna "	"	—	3 "	
6	Adam "	"	—	1 "	
7	John A Keller	"	Farmer	18 "	2
8	Philip Klenner	"	Do.	41 "	
9	Elizabeth "	"		40 "	
10	Catharina "	"		15 "	
11	Philip "	"		12 "	3
12	Margaretha "	"		8 "	
13	John Jack "	"		3 "	
14	Theodor Herzing	"	Merchant & Farmer	30 "	
15	Helena "	"	—	28 "	4
16	Fredk "	"	—	2 "	
17	Joseph Petrnacky	"	Farmer	38 "	
18	Anna "	"	—	32 "	
19	Frantz "	"	—	11 "	
20	Maria "	"	—	10 "	5
21	Theresa "	"	—	6 "	
22	Joseph "	"	—	4 "	
23	Lizette "	"	—	1/2 "	
24	Caspar Ressman	"	Farmer	20 "	6
25	Anton Riesenhahn	"	"	38 "	
26	Maria "	"		35 "	
27	Jacob "	"		13 "	
28	Anna Mr "	"		11 "	7
29	Anton "	"		9 "	
30	Andreas "	"		5 "	
31	Nicolaus "	"		3/4 "	
32	Philip Simon	"		45 "	
33				36 "	
34				14 "	8

No Carried forward

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
		Brought over			
35	Christian Sievers	Germany		21 years	8
36	Catharine "	"		9 "	
37	Maria "	"		2 "	
38	Peter Weimer	"	Farmer	17 "	9
39	Peter Meyer	"	"	46 "	
40	Barbara "	"		45 "	
41	Margaretha "	"		21 "	
42	Catharine "	"		19 "	
43	Maria "	"		18 "	
44	Jacob "	"		16 "	10
45	Susanna "	"		14 "	
46	Joseph "	"		12 "	
47	Peter "	"		10 "	
48	Maria "	"		6 "	
49	Jacob Reinhardt	"	"	49 "	
50	Barbara "	"		45 "	
51	Christ Hill "	"		15 "	
52	John "	"		12 "	11
53	Sophia "	"		9 "	
54	Anna "	"		3 "	
55	Jorge Reinhardt	"	"	21 "	12
56	Adam Reinhardt	"	"	18 "	13
57	Philip Meyer	"	"	63 "	14
58	Philip Max	"	"	23 "	15
59	Andrew Max	"	"	20 "	16
60	John Frantz	"		54 "	
61	Peter "	"		46 "	
62	Anna "	"		24 "	
63	Maria "	"		19 "	
64	Elizabeth "	"		16 "	17
65	Peter "	"		14 "	
66	Christian "	"		11 "	
67	Esther "	"		8 "	
68	Peter Lenz	"	Farmer & Cooper	40 "	
69	Maria "	"		44 "	
70	Margaretha "	"		20 "	
71	Catharina "	"		15 "	18
72	Peter "	"		8 "	
73	Anna "	"		3 "	
74	Wilhelm Lenz	"	Farmer	36 "	
75	Peter "	"		34 "	
76	Anna "	"		12 "	19
77	Susanna "	"		10 "	
78	Simon "	"		5 "	
					19

	Namen	Stadium Verwandtschaft	Occupation	Age	
98	Personen	Brought over			19
99	Jacob Roeder	Seminary	Farmer	33 Years	
80	Margaretha "	"	—	34 "	
81	Anna "	"	—	11 "	20
82	Caspar "	"	—	10 "	
83	Jacob "	"	—	7 "	
84	Peter Koestmann	"	Farmer	53 "	
85	Margaretha "	"	—	55 "	
86	Susanne "	"	—	17 "	21
87	Clara "	"	—	13 "	
88	Christian "	"	—	10 "	
89	Martin Mahr	"	Farmer	58 "	
90	Elisabeth "	"	—	52 "	22
91	Catharina "	"	—	12 "	
92	John Mahr	"	"	20 "	23
93	John Neuroth	"	"	30 "	
94	Elizabeth "	"	—	21 "	24
95	Louis "	"	—	3/4 "	
96	William Cobs	"	Farmer & Farmer	34 "	
97	Catharina "	"	—	34 "	25
98	George "	"	—	5 "	
99	Henry Hardt	"	" & Wheelwright	44 "	26
100	William Hardt	"	" "	18 "	27
101	Fredk Reinhardt	"	Farmer	23 "	28
102	Conrad Erbern	"	"	24 "	29
103	Henry Koerfer	"	"	32 "	
104	Elisabeth "	"	—	31 "	30
105	Elizabeth "	"	—	1 1/2 "	
106	Michael Kreis	"	Farmer & Farmer	32 "	31
107	Conrad Pluecker	"	Farmer	38 "	32
108	Peter Heim	"	Farmer & Farmer	22 "	33
109	Adam Roedig	"	Farmer	23 "	34
110	Sebastian Rex	"	"	46 "	
111	Catharina "	"	—	41 "	
112	Frederica "	"	—	18 "	
113	Ernest "	"	—	14 "	35
114	Wilhelmina "	"	—	11 "	
115	Arnold "	"	—	8 "	
116	Fredk Fehr	"	Farmer	20 "	36
117	Philip Wagner	"		48 "	
118	Elizabeth "	"		47 "	
119	Barbara "	"		16 "	
120	Anton "	"		14 "	37
121	Christian "	"		12 "	
122	Jacob "	"		9 "	
122	Personen		Canada Kommt		37

	Name	Nation Country	Occupation	Age	
122	Person	Brought over			37
123	Peter Wagner	Germany	Farmer	21 years	38
124	Martin Boenisch	"	"	36 "	
125	Marie "	"	—	34 "	
126	Christine "	"	—	10 "	39
127	George "	"	—	7 "	
128	Maria "	"	—	4 "	
129	Dorothea "	"	—	2 "	
130	Hans Moeller	"	"	23 "	40
131	Wilhelm Sauer	"	"	45 "	
132	Sophie "	"	—	24 "	
133	George "	"	—	21 "	41
134	Cornelius "	"	—	7 "	
135	Louise "	"	—	7 "	
136	Louise "	"	—	5 "	
137	John Hubertus	"	"	42 "	
138	Anna	"		40 "	
139	Elise "	"		14 "	42
140	Wilhelm "	"		16 "	
141	Peter "	"		12 "	
142	Louise Mueller	"	"	31 "	
143	Julie "	"		28 "	
144	Louis "	"		9 "	43
145	Barbara "	"		3 "	
146	Gustav Muller	"		57 "	44
147	Gottlieb Meyer	"	Farmer's Sister	29 "	
148	Margaretha Krueger	"	Farmer's Sister	26 "	45
149	Bertha and Simon	"	Farmer's Daughter	25 "	46
150	Martin Meyer	"	Farmer	60 "	
151	Catharine "	"	—	56 "	47
152	Anna "	"	—	24 "	
153	John Stallschmidt	"	Farmer's Daughter	25 "	
154	Margaretha "	"	—	25 "	48
155	Henry Mack	"	Farmer	24 "	
156	Elizabeth	"	—	40 "	49
157	Anna Elizabeth	"	"	22 "	50
158	Christian Mueller	"	—	36 "	
159	Maria "	"		33 "	
160	Peter "	"		10 "	
161	Philip "	"		8 "	51
162	Margaretha "	"		6 "	
163	Catharine "	"		4 "	
164	Christian "	"		3/4 "	
164	Persons	Carried forward			51

	Names	Native country	Occupation	Age	
		Brought over			31
165	Wilhelmine Wagner	Germany	Farmer	34 years	
166	Maria "	"	—	25 "	52
167	Johan "	"	"	14 "	
168	Gustav Wagner	"	"	18 "	
169	Maria Wagner	"	-	51 "	53
169	Persons Altogether	Number of families & single men			53

Total number of Persons 169

amongst whom are 31 families

and Single men 22 } Total 53

Galveston 20 November 1845

D. Kleaver

Agent for the German Emigration Company

List of Emigrants who arrived here by Ship Star Republic from New York and Wagner who sail from New Orleans, for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas as settlers on the Grant ceded to Messrs Stry H. Fisher and Burchd Miller under date Washington Coth 4th 1843, Transferred to said Company as per contract of 24 June 1844 and Extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 29 Jany 1845.

	Names	Native Countries	Occupation	Age
1	Alex Armbruster	Germany	Farmer	23 Years
2	P Degener	"	"	25 "
3	N. Linche	"	Farmer & Mercht	39 "
4	G Linche	"	Farmer	17 "
5	Aug Buchel	"	"	30 "
6	Adolphus Dölle	"	"	23 "

Total number of men above the age of 17 - Six

Galveston 20 Novbr 1845

D. Kleaver

Agent for the German Emigration Company

List of Emigrants who arrived here by Bark Hesperus, Macelroy Mr., from Bremen for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas, as settlers on the Grant ceded to Messrs Henry S Fisher and Burchd Miller under date Washington Octr 4th 1828. transferred to said Company as per Contract of 24th June 1834 and extended as per Joint Resolution of the 9th Congress of 21 January 1840.

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
1	Albert Ahrens	Germany	Farmer	32 years	1
2	Eduard Habich	"	"	23 "	
3	Charlotte "	"	—	18 "	2
4	Augusta Schultheis	"	—	16 "	
5	Chr Hoffmann	"	"	20 "	3
6	Chr Siekenius	"	Farmer & Mercht	28 "	4
7	Eduard Kahler	"	Farmer	33 "	5
8	Ernest Mittelegge	"	"	20 "	6
9	Joseph Reuss	"	"	22 "	7
10	Albert Meyer	"	"	26 "	
11	Mathilde "	"	—	24 "	
12	Otto "	"	—	3 "	
13	Wilhelmine "	"	—	1 "	8
14	Barbara Koch	"	—	17 "	
15	Angelika Riehl	"	—	23 "	
16	August Horn	"	"	33 "	
17	Adelheid "	"	—	24 "	9
18	Sofia Meinert	"	—	17 "	
19	George Hofgen	"	"	23 "	
20	Josephine "	"	—	23 "	10
21	Julius Hamel	"	Kaufmann	17 "	11
22	Jacob Lang	"	Farmer	30 "	
23	Maria "	"	—	20 "	12
24	Georg Eichhoff	"	"	33 "	
25	Franziska "	"	—	28 "	13
26	Georg "	"	—	7 "	
27	Peter Birkemeyer	"	"	32 "	
28	Jos Blumbach	"	—	20 "	14
29	Sofia Fricke	"	"	22 "	15
30	Franz Xaver	"	"	38 "	
31	Anna "	"	—	41 "	
32	Rafael "	"	—	9 "	
33	Rudolph "	"	—	3 "	16
34	Ernestine "	"	—	12 "	
35	Emilie "	"	—	6 "	

35	Kuhn					16
36	Carl Blumberg	Gärtner	Bauer	48	Kind	
37	Caroline	"		43	"	
38	Albertine	"		24	"	
39	Henriette	"		14	"	17
40	Fritz	"		11	"	
41	Emilie	"		9	"	
42	Theodor	"		7	"	
43	Louise Blumberg	"	"	23	"	18
44	David Graf	"	"	22	"	19
45	Carl Ehm	"	"	38	"	
46	Johanne	"	—	34	"	
47	Auguste	"	—	13	"	
48	Caroline	"	—	11	"	20
49	Fritz	"	—	8	"	
50	Karl	"	—	4	"	
51	Philipp Mueller	"	Brauer & Bierbrauer	23	"	21
52	Henriette Kötter	"	Bäckerei	45	"	
53	Anna	"		45	"	
54	Wilhelmine	"		12	"	22
55	Otto	"		10	"	
56	Peter Müller	"	"	43	"	
57	Anna	"	"	30	"	
58	Lotte	"	"	16	"	
59	Mary	"	"	11	"	23
60	Wilhelm	"	"	10	"	
61	Elisabeth	"	"	6	"	
62	Adolf	"	"	2	"	
63	Karl Georg Herrmann	"	"	33	"	24
64	Karl Becker	"	"	21	"	25
65	Peter Hahn	"	"	28	"	
66	Maria	"	"	34	"	
67	Louis	"	"	10	"	
68	Johannes	"	"	9	"	26
69	Louise	"	"	7	"	
70	Lotte	"	"	4	"	
71	Emma	"	"	2	"	
72	Emil Gossner		"	19	"	27
73	Wilhelm Hahn		"	38	"	
74	Georgine	"	"	9	"	
75	Auguste	"	"	7	"	
76	Otto	"	"	5 3/12	"	28
77	Carl	"	"	3 1/2	"	
78	Gustav	"	"	1 1/2	"	
40	Total					28

Comes over

98.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			28
79	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	22 Jahre		29
80	[illegible]	"		24 "		
81	[illegible]	"	[illegible]	58 "		30
82	[illegible]	"	[illegible]	43 "		31
83	[illegible]	"		42 "		
84	[illegible]	"		5 "		
85	[illegible]	"		2 "		
86	[illegible]	"		43 "		32
87	[illegible]	"		38 "		
88	[illegible]	"		38 "		
89	[illegible]	"	[illegible]	40 "		33
90	[illegible]	"		32 "		
91	[illegible]	"		10 "		
92	[illegible]	"		10 "		
93	[illegible]	"		8 "		
94	[illegible]	"		5 "		
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	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
		Brought over			68
207					
208	Henry Kretzer	Germany	Farmer	44 years	
209	Margarethe "	"	—	39 "	
210	Johne "	"	—	12 "	
211	Catharine "	"	—	10 "	69
212	William "	"		8 "	
213	Elizabeth "	"		5 "	
214	August "	"	—	1/4 "	
214	Persons Altogether	Number of Families & Single men			69

Total number of Persons 214 —

Amongst whom are 40 families and 29 single men above the age of 17 } Total 69

Galveston 3 Decbr 1845.

P. H. Kleberg

Agent for the German Emigration Company

List of Emigrants who arrived here for this Washington, Benson. Mr., for the German Emigration Company, and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas, as settlers on the Grant ceded to Messrs Henry J Fisher and Burchd. Miller under date Washington Octbr 4th 1843, Transferred to said Company as per Contract of 24 June 1844 and Extended as per Joint resolution of the 9th Congress of 24 June 1845.

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
1	Louis Berthold	Germany	Farmer	25 years	1
2	August Altstaeten	"	"	30 "	2
3	Fredk Schladoer	"	Farmer & Miller	26 "	3
4	Anna Mulle	"	Servant Girl	23 "	
5	George Pfeiffer	"	Farmer & Farmer	45 "	4
6	Barbara "	"	—	38 "	
7	Johne "	"	—	15 "	
8	Valentine "	"	—	13 "	
9	Christe "	"	—	11 "	
10	Daniel "	"	—	7 "	
11	Barbara "	"	—	4 "	
12	Anna "	"	—	1 1/2 "	
12	Persons	Carried Over			4

	Names	Nativity	Occupation	Age	
12	Persons	Port open			4
13	Caspar Berberich	Germany	Farmer & Miller	36 years	5
14	Caroline "	"	—	20 "	
15	Charles Berberich	"	Farmer	18 "	6
16	John Hornheimer	"	Farmer & Baker	29 "	7
17	Conrad "	"	" do	27 "	8
18	Theresa "	"	—	19 "	
19	Sabrina Pfeuffer	"	—	38 "	
20	Conrad Schmidt	"	Farmer & Mason	27 "	9
21	Conrad Kohler	"	" & Smith	21 "	10
22	Wilhelmina Volks	"	Farmer	22 "	11
23	Elizabeth "	"	—	23 "	
24	Jacob Gebhard	"	"	45 "	12
25	Nicl Roehig	"	"	49 "	13
26	Elizabeth "	"	—	21 "	
27	Maria "	"	—	12 "	
28	George Roehig	"	"	18 "	14
29	Louis Rudolf	"	"	29 "	15
30	Jacob Lauer	"	"	29 "	16
31	Wilhelmina "	"	—	36 "	
32	Ludwig "	"	—	6 "	
33	Catharina "	"	—	4 "	
34	Chs Gunther	"	Butcher & Farmer	29 "	17
35	Fredk Schmidt	"	Farmer	26 "	18
36	William Hankammer	"	Farmer & Shoemaker	43 "	
37	Anna "	"		41 "	
38	Maria "	"		9 "	
39	Charles "	"		6 "	19
40	Fredk "	"		5 "	
41	Henrietta "	"		1 "	
42	Fredk Krug	"	Farmer & Shoemaker	24 "	20
43	Victor Krause Berger	"	Farmer & Carpenter	50 "	21
44	Anna "	"	—	51 "	
45	Gottfried Brenner	"	Farmer & Mason	46 "	
46	Louise "	"		24 "	
47	Christine "	"		17 "	
48	Phillip "	"		14 "	22
49	Dorothea "	"		11 "	
50	Theresa "	"		7 "	
51	Christian "	"		6 "	
52	George Brenner	"	Farmer	21 "	
53	Joseph "	"		3 "	23
54	Christian "	"		1 "	
55	Louis Schmaedeke	"	Butcher & Farmer	30 "	24
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	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
55	Person	Not over			24
56	Anna Schneider	Germany	—	38 years	
57	Wilhelmina "	"	—	13 "	24
58	Christian "	"	—	8 "	
59	Juliana "	"	—	3 "	
60	Peter Schorn	"	Farmer	86 "	
61	Sophia "	"	—	29 "	
62	William "	"	—	6 "	25
63	Carl "	"	—	4 "	
64	Hermia "	"	—	2 "	
65	John Stahl	"	Farmer	45 "	
66	Leonard "	"		16 "	26
67	August "	"	—	6 "	
68	Jacob Stahl	"	"	67 "	27
69	Anton Schorn	"	"	61 "	28
70	Jacob Schmidt	"	"	34 "	
71	Elizabeth "	"	—	30 "	
72	Gustavus "	"	—	12 "	
73	William "	"	—	8 "	29
74	Johanna "	"	—	6 "	
75	Adolphus "	"		2 "	
76	Christian Reh	"	Farmer	54 "	
77	Rudolph "	"	—	15 "	30
78	Mrz Bredenstein	"	"	24 "	31
79	Louis Reib	"	"	24 "	32
80	Peter Walch	"	"	26 "	33
81	John Walch	"	"	17 "	
82	Elizabeth "	"	—	11 "	34
83	Nicolaus Behn	"	"	23 "	35
84	Elizabeth Frank	"	"	42 "	36
85	Daniel Schaab	"	"	33 "	
86	Elise Schaab	"	—	31 "	
87	John "	"	—	8 "	37
88	Elisabeth "	"	—	3 "	
89	Anna "	"	—	18 "	
90	Peter Friesch	"	Farmer	32 "	
91	Nonnellus "	"		36 "	
92	Adolphus "	"		11 "	38
93	William "	"		6 "	
94	Wilhelmina "	"		2 "	
95	Georg Weber	"	Farmer	44 "	
96	Celina "	"		38 "	
97	John "	"		12 "	
98	Lily			10 "	
98	Persons	Heard over			39

	Names	State Country	Occupation	Age	
98	Simon	Prussia			39
99	Fred Weber	Germany	—	5 Years	
100	Georger "	"	—	6 "	
101	Adam Klamer	"	Farmer	35 "	
102	Catharina "	"		31 "	
103	Magdalena "	"		10 "	40
104	Christina "	"		4 "	
105	Christian "	"		5 "	
106	Adam "	"		1 "	
107	William Price	"	"	36 "	
108	Maryanthe "	"	—	36 "	
109	Henrietta "	"	—	10 "	
110	Hermann "	"		7 "	
111	Louise "	"		5 "	41
112	Pauline "	"		1 "	
113	Rudolph Swarz	"	"	49 "	
114	Catharina "	"		39 "	
115	William "	"		15 "	
116	Peter "	"		14 "	
117	Jacob "	"		10 "	42
118	John "	"		8 "	
119	Louise "	"		6 "	
120	Clinton "	"		4 "	
121	Edward Lauck	"	"	21 "	43
122	Franz. Klein	"	"	25 "	44
123	John Petsch	"	"	47 "	
124	Louise "	"		40 "	
125	Jacob "	"		13 "	
126	Leona "	"		12 "	
127	Elizabeth "	"		9 "	45
128	Louis "	"		7 "	
129	Christian "	"		5 "	
130	Catharine "	"		2 "	
131	Peter Petsch	"	"	20 "	46
132	John Petsch	"	"	17 "	47
133	Christian Hunsberger	"	"	19 "	
134	Jacob "	"	"	12 "	48
135	John Hand	"	"	34 "	
136	Wilhelmina "	"		25 "	
137	Chr "	"		6 "	
138	Bernhardt "	"		4 "	49
139	Adolph "	"		1/4 "	
140	Lena Maria	"	Servt Girl	19 "	
141	Anna Maria	"	" "	27 "	
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	Names	Nativ. Country	Occupation	Ages	
141	Persons	Brought over			49
142	Christian Pinkel	Germany	Farmer	36 years	
143	Johannes "	"		32 "	
144	Lewstein "	"		13 "	
145	Johannes "	"		9 "	50
146	Wilhelmina "	"		6 "	
147	Herman "	"		2 "	
148	Peter Dahlstrom	"	"	38 "	
149	Catharina "	"		30 "	
150	Leonore "	"		12 "	51
151	Henrietta "	"		9 "	
152	Agnes "	"		6 "	
153	Joseph Gabel	"	"	48 "	52
154	Philip Hafelder	"	"	24 "	53
155	Michael Moos	"	Farmer & Cabinetz	29 "	54
156	Joseph Meinhofer	"	Farmer	37 "	
157	Lora "	"		37 "	
158	Valentine "	"		16 "	
159	Catharina "	"		15 "	
160	Sidelia "	"		12 "	55
161	Christina "	"		10 "	
162	Anton "	"		8 "	
163	Adam "	"		1½ "	
164	Peter Elisabetha	"	Farmer & Carpenter	29 "	
165	Margaretha "	"		26 "	
166	Peter "	"		3 "	56
167	John "	"		1 "	
168	Louis Luck	"	" & Farmer	40 "	57
169	Louis Lohr	"	" & Cabinet M.	24 "	58
170	John Heinrich	"	" "	47 "	
171	Margaretha "	"	—	14 "	59
172	John Caspar	"	" & Mason	34 "	60
173	Wilhm Florenauer	"	" "	50 "	61
174	Louise "	"	—	33 "	
175	John Rudenberger	"	" "	17 "	62
176	Fredk Haas	"	Farmer	25 "	63
177	Peter Reis	"	"	36 "	
178	Catharina "	"	—	28 "	
179	Wilhelm "	"	—	9 "	64
180	Conrad "	"	—	2 "	
181	Christian Schmidt	"	Farmer & Mason	34 "	65
182	Fredk "	"	" "	35 "	
183	Suzanna Florenauer	"		1 "	
184	Anna Heinrich	"		14 "	66
184		Carried Over			66

No.	Names	Native Country	Occupation		Age
184	Persons	Brought over			66
185	Catharine Klamer	Germany	—	1 year	
185	Persons	Number of families & single men			66

Total number of Persons 185

Amongst whom are 33 families

and 33 single men

Total 66

All above the age of fourteen

Galveston 2nd Dec. 1845

F. G. Klauer

Agent for the German Emigration

Company.

List of Emigrants who arrived from Bremen Germany, Rob. Mather, from Bremen for the German Emigration Company and who are hereby entered at the State Department of Texas as settlers on the Grant ceded to Messrs Hey & Fisher and Bennet Austin under date Washington City the 4th 1843, transferred to said Company as per Contract of 24 June 1844 and extended as per Grant Regulations of the 3 Congress of 29 Jany 45

	Names	Native Country	Occupation	Age	
1	Conrad Kerckhauser	Germany	Farmer & Mason	45 years	
2	Margaretha "	"		45 "	
3	Elisabeth "	"		07 "	1
4	Fredk "	"		14 "	
5	Anna "	"		11 "	
6	Catharina "	"		5 "	
7	Jacob Daniel Tekneider	"	Farmer	46 "	
8	Johannette "	"		36 "	
9	Johannette "	"		22 "	
10	Caroline "	"		19 "	2
11	Hry "	"		13 "	
12	Justine "	"		6 "	
13	Philip "	"		3 "	
14	Carl Grimm	"	"	25 "	3
15	John Peter Hoffmann	"	"	33 "	
16	Catharine "	"		31 "	
17	Charlotte "	"		7 "	4
18	Chr Louis "	"		4 "	
19	Jorge "	"		1 "	
20	John Hry Borns	"		40 "	
21	Anna Maria "	"	Farmer & Liner	26 "	
22	John Hry "	"		13 "	5
23	John Chs "	"		7 "	
24	Elisabeth "	"		4 "	
25	Johannes Hoffmann	"	Farmer	26 "	6
26	Leonard Hoffmann	"		23 "	7
27	Chs Fr Merten	"		48 "	8
28	John Engelbert			42 "	
29	Catharine "			28 "	
30	Gustavus "			10 "	
31	Ferdinand "			6 "	9
32	Wilhelmine "			3 "	
33	Rudolph "			12 "	
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	Name	Staat oder Country	Occupation	Alter	
33	Lenore	Ohio		7	
34	Katharine Diehl	Germany	Farmer	56 Jahr	
35	Katharine "	"		21 "	10
36	Elizabeth "	"		23 "	
37	Kaspar Blum	"	Farmer Laun	38 "	
38	Katharine "	"		35 "	
39	Elisabeth "	"		14 "	
40	Kaspar "	"		12 "	11
41	Christine "	"		9 "	
42	Adelaide "	"		7 "	
43	Lorenz Pfannebecker	"	Farmer	41 "	
44	Maria "	"		43 "	
45	Anna "	"		14 "	
46	Lena "	"		15 "	12
47	Maria "	"		12 "	
48	Kaspar "	"		8 "	
49	Jacob "	"		5 "	
50	Jacob Pfannebecker	"	Farmer	19 "	13
51	Theodore Diehl	"	"	28 "	
52	Margaretha Diehl	"		18 "	14
53	Kaspar Lang	"	Holzhacker Farmer	26 "	15
54	Leonhard Lang	"	Farmer	34 "	
55	Elisabeth "	"		26 "	16
56	Jacob "	"		1/4 "	
57	Kaspar Schmidt	"	Farmer	20 "	17
58	Peter Diehl	"	"	44 "	18
59	Martin Dietz	"	"	42 "	
60	Catharine "	"		43 "	
61	Catharine "	"		19 "	
62	Anna "	"		8 "	19
63	Maria "	"		6 "	
64	Lorenz "	"		5 "	
65	Anna "	"		1/2 "	
66	Mary Elisabeth "	"		24 "	20
67	Georg Burkhard	"		42 "	
68	Barbara "	"		36 "	
69	Elisabeth "	"		10 "	
70	Peter "	"		8 "	21
71	Lorenz "	"		6 "	
72	Jacob "	"		3 "	
73	Mary Magdalena "	"		48 "	
74	Elisabeth "	"		36 "	
75	Lorenz "	"		9 "	
76	Christian "	"		7 "	22
77	Peter "	"		5 "	

	Names	Native County	Occupation	Age	
77	Person	Prus	over		22
78	Fry Ending	Germany		1 year	
79	John Schneider	"	Farmer	57 "	
80	Maria "	"	—	25 "	23
81	David Schneider	"	"	23 "	24
82	Adam Gerb	"	"	48 "	
83	Anna "	"	—	50 "	25
84	John Johannes	"	"	24 "	
85	Henriette "	"	—	28 "	26
86	Georg Ross	"	"	38 "	
87	Catharine "	"		36 "	
88	Anna Alice "	"		7 "	27
89	Anna Christina "	"		4 "	
90	Anna M.a "	"		1/4 "	
91	George Auschutz	"	"	30 "	28
92	Andrew Auschutz	"	"	60 "	
93	Anna "	"		15 "	29
94	George Ross	"	"	18 "	30
95	John Doll	"	"	37 "	
96	Anna "	"		28 "	
97	George "	"		5 "	31
98	Fry "	"		3 "	
99	Fredk Vollmer	"	"	30 "	32
100	George Kohler	"	"	29 "	33
101	Georg Doll	"	"	31 "	
102	Anna "	"		26 "	34
103	Georg	"		15 "	
104	Simon Storch	"	"	36 "	35
105	Louis Kuhn	"	"	32 "	36
106	William Nicgandt	"	"	34 "	37
107	George Hehling	"	"	22 "	38
108	Amandus Hehling	"	"	21 "	39
109	Peter Knapp	"	"	29 "	
110	Jenofefa "	"		23 "	40
111	Fry Acker	"	"	34 "	41
112	Lehs Dreffen	"	"	27 "	
113	Auguste "	"		17 "	42
114	Georg Dreffenbach	"		22 "	43
115	Rudolph Heidenreich	"		29 "	44
116	Victor Maier	"		30 "	45
117	John Hund	"		25 "	46
118	Bernd. Hildebrand	"		27 "	
119	Lehs Baumann "	"		26 "	47
120	Marie "				
120	Persons				

	Names	Nationality	Occupation	Age	
120	Persons	Brought over			47
121	Caspar Becker	Germany	Farmer	23 years	48
122	Chr Bergold	"	"	27 "	49
123	Wilhelmine Lederle	"	Farmer Wife	37 "	50
124	Anton Mauch	"	Farmer	26 "	51
125	Anton Baker	"	"	32 "	52
126	Emma "	"		44 "	
127	Adolph Hahn	"	"	18 "	53
128	Louis Schugerth	"	"	25 "	54
129	Christoph Hohlen	"	"	26 "	55
130	Simon Jacobi	"	-	19 "	
131	Albert Mosser	"	-	9 "	
132	Louis Schumacher	"	"	23 "	56
133	George Hebrer	"	"	33 "	57
134	George Lemmermann	"	"	28 "	58
135	Franz Heyd	"	"	26 "	59
136	Mathilde "	"		22 "	
136	Persons	Number of families of single men			59

The total number of Persons 136
among whom are 36 families
And 23 single men
The age of Emigrants
Calculated 6 Dec. 1845

J. G. Kaufmann
Agent for the German
Emigration Company

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the present Capitalists of the Texas Association consist of the following persons having the shares of Stock set opposite to their respective names: the variation from the list presented by the Semi Annual report bearing date Jany 1845; having been produced, by transfer and forfeiture of Stock, resulting from the inability of the first holders to comply with the terms of the Contract heretofore transmitted, viz; Names of the respective Holders, Shares held and sums paid for them.

Shares numbered from 1 to 6	held by	E. C Cabell who has paid	$600.	for	6
from 7 to 9.	"	A. T Burchell "	300.	"	3
from 19 to 20 & 29.	"	C. M. Dupont "	300.	"	3
from 21 to 23	"	B. F. Whitney "	150	"	3
	leaving to be paid thereon		$150.		
No. 10.	held by	H. L. Pulgar, who has	$100.	for	1
11.		Nath. Bonnid	100.		1
12.		Wm. R. Maywood	100.		1.
13.		Edwin G. Booth	100		1.
14.		The Brown & S. Archer	100.		1.
15.		D. C. Lewis	100.		1.
16.		Wm. & E. A. Garnett	100.		1.
17.		John G. Camp	100.		1.
18.		P. Wm. White, Ex. N. J. Fithian	100.		1.

Nos 24, 25 & 26, are reserved for the Revd J. L. M Kinn who has not paid.

No 28, is reserved for A. T. N. Lorimer, who has promised pay. but not paid

No. 27.	held by	J. E. Lindenberger and			
		W. W. Brodie	$100.		1
30		G. W. Anderson	100.		1.
31.		L. P. Yandell	100.		1

Nos 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36, are to be issued to John M Cooke, when he shall have paid as promised $500, the first instalment on 5 shares. The shares held by other original associates have been forfeited, and from of the forty, subjected to sale, by the Contract of the undersigned with his associates in order to provide adequate funds for colonization remain to be disposed of.

In absence of the funds thus held back, the private fortune of the undersigned, has been employed to the payment of the expenses attending the Colonization of the lands set apart for that purpose by the Contract of Jany 1844

Of the sum of 4317. 75 cents 2589. 50 has been derived from the Texas Association and $1728. 25 advanced by the undersigned. As Chief Agent he accepts no salary from the Association and defrays his personal expenses which are defrayed out of the common fund he has observed a strict economy.

On the 1st of May he had with the assistance of his last Agents introduced and settled on the granted lands appropriated to Colonization 209 families and 15 awaited a second visit of Doctor Dan'l Rowlett, to the settled lands to accompany them, when the whole number will not fall short of 234 all of whom are armed with rifles and provided at their own cost with ammunition. But in compliance with his Contract, the undersigned transmitted in March last 1100 lbs of ammunition, to Bonham; having previously written to the General of Brigade in Fannin County, to recommend for its safety and convenient site, in case of necessity a secure place of Depôt. It is now in Bonham; the most place of perfect security not to remote from the new settlement.

The outlines of the grant were completely surveyed and marked, including a line of fifty miles which it had been deemed unnecessary to run heretofore entirely within the limits of another grant, before the middle of March, in compliance with the resolution of the last Congress to establish the limits of the Nueces Colony. To guard the lands reserved to the Republic from intrusion and waste, and to secure the other public purposes of the Contract of Jany 1844, the several families colonized, have been required to enter into express stipulations; and, among these, provision has been made for the erection of school houses, on the lands granted for the promotion of education.

The performance of the various duties of Chief Agent, the undersigned has travelled not less than 14,000 miles, 1200 of which have been performed on horseback at most inclement seasons and no pains have been spared to arouse in the United States the spirit of emigration and to divert its current from the lands surveyed by the American Government to those of Texas.

Among the Chief inducements to settle on the fertile lands of the United States, has been the liberal donations made by the General Government for the

reception of emigrants by surveying those lands and laying them off in townships, sections and half and quarter sections to suit the convenience of the first settlers. An imitation of this course has been that of the Texas Association; among the fruits of their labor is the accompanying map of the upper Trinity and its tributary streams.

On the prosecution of the labor mentioned above the Chief Agent and his sub agents and surveyors have encountered an opposition which was little of all to be expected, where the undersigned has been credibly informed that his Contract when first announced as in Robertson County was hailed with joy. If required he can supply abundant proof of this fact.

In other parts of the Republic, the origin of his Contract and the circumstances attending its negotiation have been either misconceived or grossly misrepresented. For the information of the present government of Texas he begs leave to accompany this report with a printed Copy, a narative of all those circumstances which he caused to be published in the Northern Standard in August, 1844.

All which is respectfully submitted by

C. F. Mercer,
Original grantee and
Chief Agt. of the T. C.

New Orleans
June 8th 1845

Tallahassee, Jany 1. 1846

The Secretary of State
of the Republic of Texas.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the enclosed letter and map of part of the lands of the Republic of Texas set apart for Colonization, and to remain with greatest respect

Your Most Obt Servt
G. H. Mercer,
Chief Agent of the Texas Association
of the United States.

Tallahassee, Florida,
December 31, 1845.

To The Hon. Secretary of State
Of the Republic of Texas.

The undersigned, Agent of the Texas Association, for himself and his Associates, under the Contract between His Excellency Sam Houston, President of the Republic of Texas, and acting in behalf thereof; and himself, and "such associates as he might choose," bearing date on the 29th of January, 1844, submits to the Secretary of State, according to a provision of that Contract, the following statement, being the fourth which he has communicated since the above date.

The Association united under the above Common name, Chosen by themselves the undersigned, are, at present, as follows, and their respective residences are set forth.

Names of Associates.	Places of abode	No. of Shares of each.
Edward Carrington Cabell,	Tallahassee, Florida	6
Richard T. Archer,	" "	3
Henry L. Rutgers,	" "	1
Nathaniel P. Bemis,	" "	1
Wm. R. Hayward and J. N. Randolph	" "	1
Edwin G. Booth, of Manchester Co. Va.	Black & White's P. O.	1
Thomas Brown and James T. Archer	Tallahassee, Florida	1
Benjamin C. Lewis,	" "	1
A. N. Garnett, of Loretto, Essex Co. Va. and Edgar Mc. Garnett of Leon Co. Fla		1
John G. Camp,	Tallahassee, Florida	1
P. C. Coffee,	Quincy, Florida	1
Chas. N. Dupont	" "	3
Benj. F. Whitner,	Leon Co., Florida	3
Samuel P. Bailey,	Macon, Georgia	2
Asa B. Clark	Tallahassee, Florida	1
T. C. Lindenberger and Wm. H. Brodie	New Orleans, La	1
J. N. T. Lorimer	Leon Co., Florida	1
G. Washington Anderson	Louisville Ky.	1
Lunsford P. Yandell,	" "	1
James Brake,	" "	1
Francis Griffin, late of Orleans St,	Mississippi	1
Robt. S. & Richd. Hayward	Leon Co. Fla.	1
Jacob Elliot	Elizabethtown Ky	1/5
C. F. Mercer, original grantee,	Tallahassee, Fla	59 1/5
Forfeited Shares, undold the property of the Association		6
Total Stock of the Association		100 Shs

Of the above Shares, certificates have been issued for 34 Shares. No certificates have been issued, or sold, by the original grantee, for his exclusive benefit. On the shares sold, at $500. each, to create a fund to defray the expenses of colonization, all the dues have been paid, except $400. dollars; and that sum is confidently expected, by the first day of May, 1846.

The greatest difficulty encountered by the Association, has arisen from the impediments to the survey and subdivision of the granted lands set apart for colonization. Funds, for this purpose, have never been wanted. Large deposits in New Orleans have long awaited drafts for surveying. These

impediments will be noticed, hereafter, in this report more particularly. Several of the associates who were among the first to agree to unite with the undersigned in forming the "Texas Association" have found it inconvenient to pay the several installments required of them by the terms of their association. Their shares have been either, not issued, or sold, or retained, as forfeited to the Association for future uses.

The last Contract, made by the undersigned with T. Claxton Taylor, a Civil Engineer and practical Surveyor, recommended in the last Annual report of Col. Thomas Blake, Commissioner of the General Land Office of the United States, and now a Contractor with the Federal Government, for sectionizing the public lands of Louisiana, required him to be paid, to the extent of six thousand dollars, or twelve shares of the stock of the Texas Association, at the rate of two dollars per mile for every mile necessary to be run and marked, to lay off the lands to be colonized into townships of six miles square, and sectionize them, in such manner that every section, half or quarter section may be readily found. To the payment of the claims of Mr. Taylor, who is now engaged in the execution of his Contract, will be applied, the forfeited and unsold shares. Any deficiency that may remain will be provided for out of the separate stock of the undersigned. Out of which will also hereafter be provided the compensation of those subagents who may be engaged, or have been in the service of the Association, for a compensation promised in stock. The undersigned will be repaid by the shares sold.

The substitution of shares of stock, for money, was insisted upon by the last Contractor, Mr. Taylor, against the wishes of the undersigned, who was not desirous to part with his private and separate stock. But for the Association, it is a desirable substitution: since it creates in the Surveyor, engaged for all the surveying not hitherto contracted for, an obvious and controlling interest, in the faithful and diligent discharge of his duty, by ascertaining, when practicable, the limits of all legal locations, prior to the date of the Contract of January 29th 1844, and carefully

avoiding any interference with all such locations. It will, also, be his interest, as one of the Texas Association, to perform conectly his labours in the field, and to return accurate maps to the Surveyor's Office, of the sectionized lands, and of the entire tract set apart for colonization by the above contract.

The undersigned, being acquired by his several contracts with his associates, to report, semi-annually, to the Secretary of State or other proper officer of the Texan government, other particulars not required of him by the Contract of January 29th, 1844, but yet such as may be of interest to that Government, begs leave to make this report, like his last, subserve both purposes. Accordingly he proceeds to state:— that prior to May 1st 1845, by which period, he had required, by his Contract, with the Republic of Texas, to introduce and settle one hundred families on the Lands set apart for colonization, by the Contract of January 29th, 1844, "The Texas Association" had introduced and settled more than 200 families, exclusively, from the United States: To this date it is believed, that no foreigner from Europe, or any person who has ever lived out of the United States, has constituted an <u>associate</u> or a <u>colonist</u> of the Association, formed under the last named Contract; although the contrary has been charged.

Early in May last, Doctor Daniel Rowlett, a Sub-Agent of the Association, had proceeded as far as 119 families, in his Contract, of the Colony, to which the Texan Congress had given, without his co-operation or knowledge, at the time, the name of the undersigned, Dr. R., had, also, taken notes of hand, of that number, for the fees of survey charged the several emigrant families, to each of whom a certificate of title was coteinporaneously issued, in which the date of the arrival of each family in the Colony is conectly stated, and from each family, by another instrument of writing, an obligation was exacted, to protect the lands of the Association and the reserved alternate sections of the Republic of Texas from waste; to sell no spirituous liquor; to supply no arms or ammunition to the Indians; and to furnish a value of five dollars in money, materials or labor, for the construction of school houses, wherever demanded.

In return for these concessions, 320 acres of land was assured to each family, instead of the maximum quantity of 160 acres. It was found that many of the male emigrants above seventeen years had more than one rifle; that all were armed; and 1150 lbs of ammunition had been received by the sub-agent, from the undersigned, by the way of New Orleans and Galveston and stored in a place of safety, as convenient to the Colonists as could be well provided. In fine that every obligation of the undersigned and the Texas Association, of which he is the agent, has been duly fulfilled.

Dr Rowlett had been compelled, by bad weather, the scarcity of provisions and the very large party which accompanied him, in May, through part of the Colony, to return home, without proceeding further in taking a census of the Colony; but when the undersigned left Texas, on the 13th of June last, Dr Rowlett was about to renew his efforts to complete it; and reported to the undersigned, that the colonial families introduced and settled at that date, amounted to more than two hundred and twenty.

The undersigned confidently believes that this number has been since extended, by the arrival of other emigrants, to more than twice that number; so as to furnish a well grounded expectation, that, by the end of the ensuing month, when the obligations of the Texas Association, under the Contract of January 1844, require two hundred and fifty families of emigrants, in the Mercer Colony, there will be five hundred families.

Various causes have conspired to promote emigration, to the portion of Texas, comprehended in the above Contract. The undersigned, in the prosecution of his duty, as Chief Agent of the Texas Association, has made seven voyages by sea, travelled more than 8,500 miles by land, including journeys of 1500 miles on horseback through the colonial lands and near the frontiers of Texas. He has published more than 2000 handbills; had 1100 maps lithographed, of the colonial lands; advertised the terms of emigration in more than twenty newspapers, printed in Arkansas, Mississippi, Illinois, Indiana

Ohio, Virginia, Florida, New York and the District of Columbia; and carried on an extensive correspondence throughout the United States, diligently devoting two years of his life, to the fulfilment of his Contract with the Texas Government, and his duty, as Chief Agent of the Texas Association.

He has been much aided, in his unceasing labors, by the Joint Resolution of the two Houses of the Congress of Texas, approved in February, 1845, by President Jones "to establish the limits of the Texan Colony" — and the knowledge, widely diffused, of the fact, that he had promptly complied with its requirement. He was further assisted by the calumnies against his Contract, which he diligently and promptly refuted, in the most public manner, to the satisfaction of all unprejudiced minds. Nor has the ordinance of the late Texas Convention been inoperative in promoting emigration to the Colony. In this act of extraordinary legislation, the undersigned has seen nothing to regret, while the assurance which it extends to the Colonists, introduced by the Texas Association and other Colonization Contractors, of a title to the lands promised by them, to an extent even beyond the actual engagements of the contractors, should they choose to extend them, to twice the promised quantity, could not fail to favor emigration, and was doubtless, intended for that purpose, by the Convention.

The very terms "ordinance" which distinguishes this act of the Convention, from the Constitution which accompanied it, is of ancient origin, in the proceedings of several States, it is believed, as well as of Virginia, and of the Confederation of the United States; which preceded the present federal government. In the usage of the former, however, it has given no other force to the regulations which it embraces, than that of any ordinary act of legislation, under an organized constitutional government. In the acts of the Confederation, it was applied to a single measure, the one of great magnitude, the ordinance of 1787, relative to the public lands of the United States. Under the Virginia Constitution of 1776, as well as the United States Constitution of 1789, both governments, have altered, amended, or repealed,

in whole or in part, the provisions of Acts sanctioned by the application of the term "Ordinance." But if that of the late Texas Convention, be regarded as of higher dignity, and be deemed incapable of modification or repeal, by a future Legislature, from the acts of which, it is believed to be distinguishable, but by name, except in the suggestion, thrown out, by the Convention, in the preamble of the ordinance, that all colonization Contracts, made by the President of Texas are unconstitutional, the Texas Association can discover no just cause of complaint. But to obviate this, the Convention, in condescending to furnish the foundation of their belief, that all such Contracts are unconstitutional, has rendered this sentiment altogether harmless. For, by a report, almost Coetaneous record with the ordinance, from the Commissioner of the General Land Office of Texas, as well, as by a prior letter of the Texan Minister at the City of Washington, to the Secretary of State of the United States of America, it appears, that subsequent to the date of the very last of those colonization Contracts, all of which had been recognized or publicly noticed, by the Legislature of the Republic of Texas, and were known, therefore, to exist, the quantity of imbocated and unappropriated Lands in Texas, exceeds, by many millions of acres, any possible legal claims of the "citizen Soldiers," or creditors of the Republic, pretending to those Contracts, the most extensive of which, had its origin in January, 1841. This Contract was greatly extended in January 1843, by a special act of the Congress of Texas, which at the same time, authorized the purchase of the alternate sections reserved to the Republic at twelve dollars each. The succeeding Congress revoked the power of the President to make further colonization Contracts, but that of January last, notwithstanding this inhibition to the President, granted to two foreign Contractors, an extension of time, and to one of them additional privileges.

But, supposing the Soldiers and creditors of the Republic, at the date of the first of those Contracts, or afterwards, to have had "previously

subdisting claims" to the unlocated and unappro-
priated lands of Texas, to an extent much greater
than any rational estimate can assign them at
present, the Texas Association cannot perceive
that any subdisting or enforced law of Texas,
gives, or at any time gave to them legal priority
to the specified grants of the Republic, for Colo-
nization, or any other purpose. If their claims
interfere with the special grants subsequently
made for the augmentation of the Population
and revenue of the Republic, they equally
clash with the appropriation of lands, for edu-
cation, or for the sale of lands to private
citizens; and with that very assurance of
any quantity of land, not exceeding 640 acres,
to each emigrant family, introduced and
settled by those very Contractors, which the ordi-
nance, in question, had most scrupled to give,
limited only by the discretion of the Contractors.

And, how stand the relative rights of
those soldiers and creditors, whom the preamble of
the ordinance so solicitous to protect against the
claims of the colonization Contractors, tho' not, it
seems, against those of the colonists, themselves?
Those soldiers are scattered over Texas; the creditors,
over Europe and the United States. They constitute
very distinct classes of persons. Their rights to
land, are not contemporaneous in their origin,
not founded upon the same laws, nor of equal
dignity. Those of the latter class created with
the late extra session of the Texan Congress, who
repealed the authority previously granted to the
creditor, to convert his bonds or Notes, into land
Scrip; and locate that upon the unappropriated
public domain. If priority, in the date of the
scrip, or certificates of land claims, excludes such
as are of subsequent date, then the Citizen Soldier,
may invalidate the claims of the creditors, or the
creditors shut out the subsequently issued Cer-
tificates of the Soldiers. But, in truth, there are
in Texas, public lands enough to satisfy the
just claims of all, and the ordinance, coupled
with the well understood fact, demonstrated by
the highest and best authority, renders its preamble
groundless; and has, undoubtedly, done much to
appease the ingnietude of the contractors for Colonization;

under repeated attacks upon their grants, and to impart security and confidence to the colonists themselves, that they will be permitted to hold and enjoy the lands provided to them, and surveyed for them, by those Contracted.

The declaratory, which is the operative clause of the ordinance, does not alter, in any respect, the preceding laws of Texas; but conforms not only to them, but to the laws of every State of the American Union; in no one of which, any more than in the Country, from whence the far greater part of their Civil Code is derived, would a fraudulent, illegal or unconstitutional Contract, be regarded as valid.

The Texas Association, well knowing that the Contract under which they act, is neither fraudulent, unconstitutional, nor illegal; and that all its Conditions have, so far, been faithfully fulfilled, are proceeding, with unabated zeal, to execute it.

Candor, like propitious than the acts of the Convention and Congress of Texas, and equally beyond the Control of the association, have, indeed, impeded the settlement of the Colony. Of these impediments, timely notice was given to the Executive Department, and its intervention requested for their removal.

The undersigned Contracted, in May last, with Mr. B. J. Chambers, for the survey of sixteen Leagues on the west side of the Trinity river, within the limits of his grants, and advanced him such sums of money as he required, to commence and prosecute his labor, in the field with the addition of such further supply, as he might to need. Mr. Chambers, was shortly after detained from prosecuting this labor, by the declarations of an Officer, in the service of the Republic, placed on the frontier, as a safe guard from Indian depredations, that he should not proceed; and if he did, in despite of threats, force should be employed to arrest his progress. Mr. was, thus obstructed.

Even those Surveyors, who had afforded facilities to the undersigned especially, and to his sub-agents, for the investigation of interfering and prior legal locations, have been since detained from the performance of their duty;

to the manifesto injury, and delay of the Baron, engaged to Colonize the lands reserved for Colonization.

In the meantime, he has prepared, and caused to be translated, into the German language, along with an improved edition of the map of the Colony, heretofore transmitted, not only the terms of Colonization, advertised in the United States Gazettes, but a brief history of the political revolution, so honorable to Texas, with the bill of rights, prefixed to her excellent Constitution; and a description of her climate, soil and productions; all of which is designed to vindicate her moral and physical condition, against gross misconstruction; and to recommend Texas to emigrants from Germany, a Country, to which the United States are so greatly indebted for a most valuable class of industrious, persevering, patient and peaceable cultivators of the soil.

A desirable location has been made, on the east bank of the Trinity, for a town, to be connected by steamboat navigation with the Chief Port of Texas, on the Bay of Galveston. Its situation is a few miles below the junction of the eastern branch of the Trinity, called the Bois d'Arc, so as to avail the future navigation of all the waters supplied by its Chief tributaries. As according to the Law end, it is proposed, to make application to the first Legislature, which may sit under the new Constitution, for permission on terms mutually beneficial to the Colonists and the Republic of Texas, to remove the Chief obstructions to the navigation of the River, from the upper border of the colonial grants to the landing near Fort Houston, to which, steamboats have already ascended.

The Contract, by which the new surveys of the lands within the colonial boundary are to be had for in Stock of the Association: and the provision for the reimbursement of this expense, by moderate fees of Survey from the colonists and for the construction of School houses, with leave to be applied to the improvement of the roads, and the rewards of successful industry, in Agriculture, and domestic manufactures, a part of the revenue of the Association, from the sale of forty shares of its stock. It is intended to quicken this application

as the Surveys shall go ahead of the growing Current of emigration: an event which is hoped, a few months will accomplish. How far the resources of the Association may prove adequate to the above ends, the annexed account of its receipts and disbursements, for the two years, now nearly expended; and of the revenue of that, which will commence on the 30th of next Month, will manifest.

Another object will prompt an application, to the Legislature of Texas, for such a modification of this Contract of the undersigned, as shall promote the interests of the colonists, without infringing on the limitations of the ordinance of the Convention, or the repealing act of Congress of January 1844.

The above Contract, provides, in its present form, that sections of those alternately reserved to the Republic, for every settlement of One hundred families, to be applied to school and headrights. Such settlements, according to the provisions of the Contract, which limits the operations of the Contractors, to the alternate sections, only, unless they acquire by purchase, they cannot afford, from their present means, the right to settle those sections, reserved to the Republic, will embrace a tract of fifteen miles square at least. They cannot be less than ten tho' all the alternate sections be purchased. If none be bought a settlement of 100 families will cover at least 200 sections, and occupy a tract of Country 14 miles square. But a school district should not exceed a square of four miles, or, at most, one of six, in order that younger pupils may not have too far to walk. The survey already made, and which now continues, provide for a distribution of the surveyed territory into townships, six miles square, and sections, of a mile square or 640 acres; and, it is believed, that when the population shall admit of a reduction of each school district, such a space will be regarded as much too large for a single school.

It will be the pride, as it will be equally the duty and the interests of the Texas Association, to render the colony, which they are planting, the model hamlet and portion of the young and vigorous, Commonwealth, of which it constitutes

a part, and of their success in accomplishing this end, they have no doubts, if they be not unlawfully obstructed.

Respectfully submitted

S. F. Mercer,

Original grantee and Chief agent of the Texas Association

An Ordinance. — Whereas, various Contracts have been entered into by the President of the Republic of Texas, with divers individuals, with the expressed intention of colonizing an enormous amount of the public domain of Texas; and, Whereas, it is believed that said Contracts, are unconstitutional, and therefore, void from the beginning, and if carried out would operate as a monopoly of upwards of a million of acres of the public domain of Texas, in the hands of a few individuals — when in truth, the citizen soldiers and creditors of the Republic of Texas, have, by the laws and Constitution of said Republic, a clear and undisputable previously subsisting right to locate upon public domain their attempted to be assigned to said Contractors.

Sec. 1. Therefore, it is hereby declared and ordained, That it shall be the duty of the Attorney General of this State, or the district in which any portion of the Colonies may be situate, as soon as the organization of the State shall be completed, to institute legal proceedings against the Colony Contractors &c. &c. [The bill provided for the protection of actual settlers.]

Sec. 2 Be it further ordained, That the Legislature is hereby restrained from extending any Contract for settling a Colony, and from releasing a Contractor from the failure of the conditions, or the forfeitures accruing from the non-compliance with the Contract.

Sec. 3. And be it further ordained, That this Ordinance shall be presented to the people for their adoption or rejection at the same time, the Constitution shall be presented to them, and the returns of the votes taken on this ordinance etc. etc.

Adopted in Convention, 17th Aug. 1845

Thomas J. Rusk

President.

James H. Raymond,

Secretary.

The subjoined Account between "The Texas Association" and C. F. Mercer the Chief Agent, exhibits the disbursements and receipts of the Agent from the date of his original Contract to the 31st of December, 1845.

From Paid to Surveyors and Sub-agents down to the 23d
Jan. 29 Nov. last, the date of the departure of the Agent
1844, from New Orleans, since which further drafts
to may have been received there from the Sub-
Dec. 31 agents Dr. Daniel Rowlett, or Col. Wheelock. $ 2977 50
1845. Paid to Printers and Engravers for Subscrip-
tions to Newspapers in Texas, 500 Certificates
of title, 500 notes of hand, 2000 hand bills,
8150 Lithographed Maps of the Colonial
grant, 500 Copies of the Contracts of the
original grantees with the Republic of Texas,
and his subsequent Contract with his co-
partners of the Texas Association and one
hundred and fifty certificates of Stock on extra
folio paper, 500 Copies of a pamphlet in
German including a Political history of
Texas, a Statement of its present condition,
the Titles of rights secured to the new Col-
onists; An account of its climate, Soil
and productions, and the terms of Colonization
now offered by the Association, together
with the publication of their terms, and
the Late Ordinance of the Texas Convention,
eight hundred in each of 20 Newspapers of
Florida, Arkansas, Mississippi, Illinois,
Indiana, Ohio, Virginia, New York, and
the District of Columbia. ——— 403. 35

1844–45 Paid for Postages, Stationary, Commissions,
exchange, Disbursements, extra clerk, etc. ——— 269 42

For a tent and appointments left at Columbus near
Washington in Arkansas. ——— 69. 30

Feb. 1845. Fee to Commissioner Texas ——— 50.00

May 1844 Loan to an emigrant from Tallahassee, secured by Note 40.00

Mar. 1845 For 1150 lbs of ammunition Stores via Brahan for Col., 125.50

Dec. 31 For the services of the Chief Agent, for sundry
changeable under his Contract with his
Co-partners to the Association, during 23
Months — from 29th January 1844, ——— 1591.26

Add interest on the advances of the Agent
out of his private fortune, averaging 20 000.
for 1½ Year at 6 per cent ——— 180.00

Total Disbursements $ 5706.33

Rec'd first instalment upon 34 shares	$ 3405.
" 2d " " 30 "	3000.
Total receipts Rec'g this day and Mess. Stark & Holden to have paid us	$ 6405.
Due on 4 shares for the second instalment,	400.
" " 1 " by Contract for 3d "	100.
Total sum to be collected on,	$ 6905.00
Balances on hand, or shortly to be collected, after reimbursing advances of the Chief Agent,	1198. 67
To be paid, six shares, on which, two instalments will be due;	1200. 00
The instalment on 39 shares due in October, 1846,	3900. 00
Fees of Survey due from 500 families at $8 each.	4000. 00
Total Resources for 1846 and 47 October, 1847	$ 10,290. 67

E. F. Ellmaker.

To The Hon. Secretary of State
of Texas.

Sir,

In compliance with the terms of my Contract of the 29th January 1844 with the Republic of Texas I beg leave to enclose a correct list of the members of the Texas Association which that Contract authorized me to form. The title of the Association has undergone no change since my first semi-annual report, tho' by forfeitures and withdrawals of Stock the members of the Associates have undergone many changes as a comparison of my reports of which this is the seventh in number, will manifest.

I have the honor to be,
very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
C. F. Mercer.
Org. & Gen. Land Com. and
Chief Agent of the Texas
Association

Fee Obtained
Davidson

Feby 1st 1845

List of the Stockholders in the Texas Association.

	Names of Associates	No. of Shares	Places of Abode.
1.	Edward Carrington Cabell	6	Tallahassee, Florida.
2.	Richard F. Brisbell,	3	"
3.	Henry L. Kulgard	1	"
4.	Jackson D. Harris	1	"
5	William A. Haywood, and		"
6	Jane, A. Randolph.	1	"
7	Thomas Brown, and,		"
8	James T. Archer	1	"
9	Benjamin C. Lewis	1	"
10	John G. Camp.	1	"
11	Asa D. Clarke	1	"
12	Robert S. Haywood, and		"
13	Richard Haywood.	1	"
14	Benjamin F. Allen, and		"
15	Edward Houston.	1	"
16	Pleasants M. White	1	Quincy, Florida.
17.	Charles A. Dupont.	3	"
18	Benj F. Whitner	3	Leon County Fa
19	Thomas E Vindenburgen &		Tallahassee
20	William A Bird	1	St Marks.
21	George W. Anderson,	1	Louisville, Ky
22	James Clarke	1	"
23	Henry C. Harris	1	Paris, Ky
24	Edward A Taylor,	1	Frankfort, Ky.
25	Sandford P. Yandell,	1	Louisville, Ky.
26.	Francis Richini	1	Post of Leland 8S Miss.
27	Samuel F. Bailey	2	Macon, Georgia
28	Samuel A. Clarke	1	Butts County, Ga.
29	Jacob Hardin	1	Pike Co. Ga.
30	Edwin J. Booth,	1	Blackshoke, P.O. Holloway Co. Ga
31	Alfred N. Garnett, and		Loretto, P.O Elbert Co. Ga
32	Edgar M. Garnett,	1	Leon Co. Florida
33	Jacob Elliott,	4/5	Elizabeth Town, Ky
34	George M. Bartlett,	1/5	Tallahassee, Florida
35	Thomas Clarke Taylor	2	Baton Rouge, La.
36	James N. F. Simmons	1	Leon Co. Florida
	Charles Fenton Mercer	58	Tallahassee, "
	Total	100	

The preceding is a correct list of the members of the Texas Association and was, so in August last, except with the exception of the names and interest of Thomas Clarke Taylor, which is as given in July last.

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C. F. Mercer, Original Founder and Chf Agt. of the Texas Association.

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